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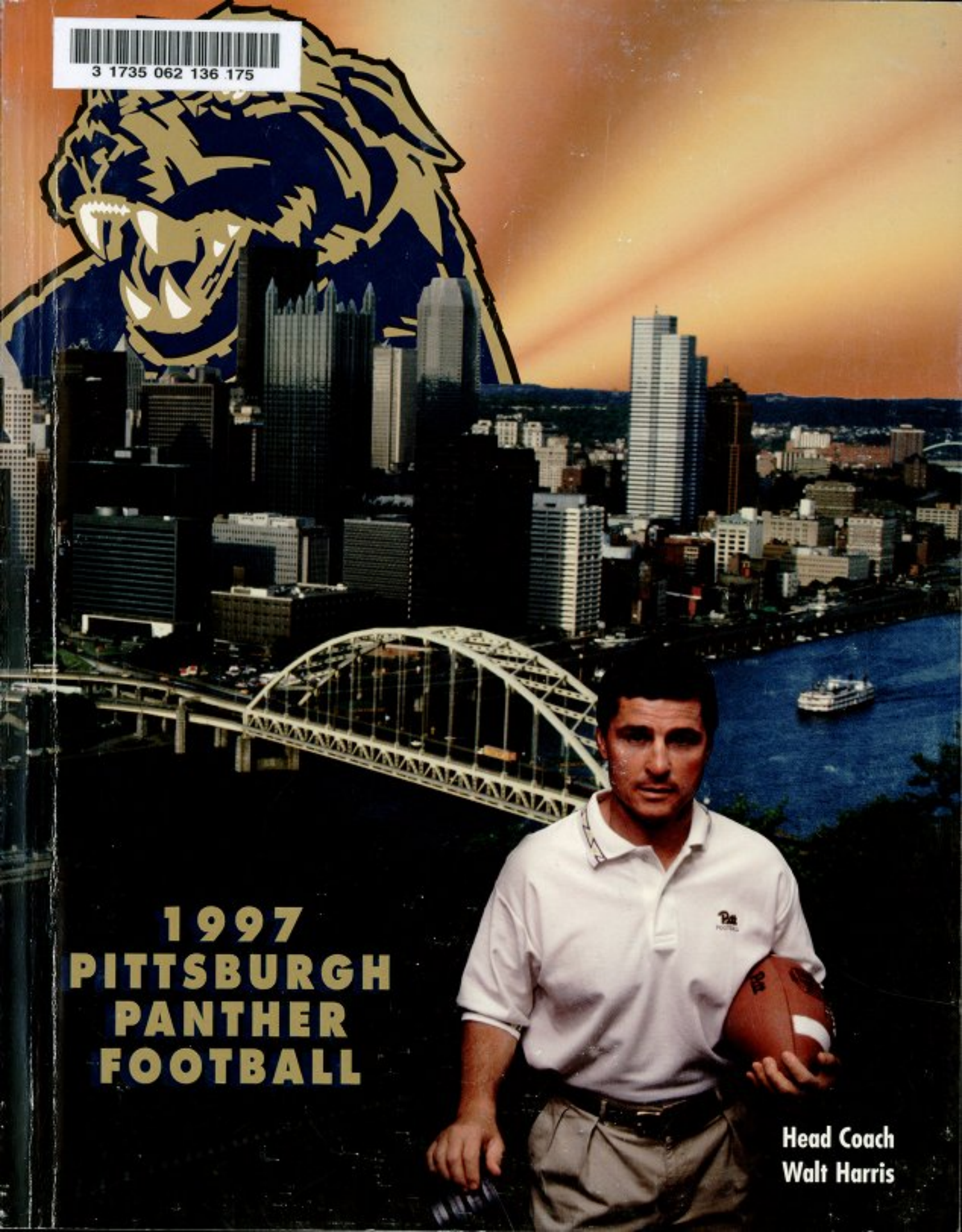

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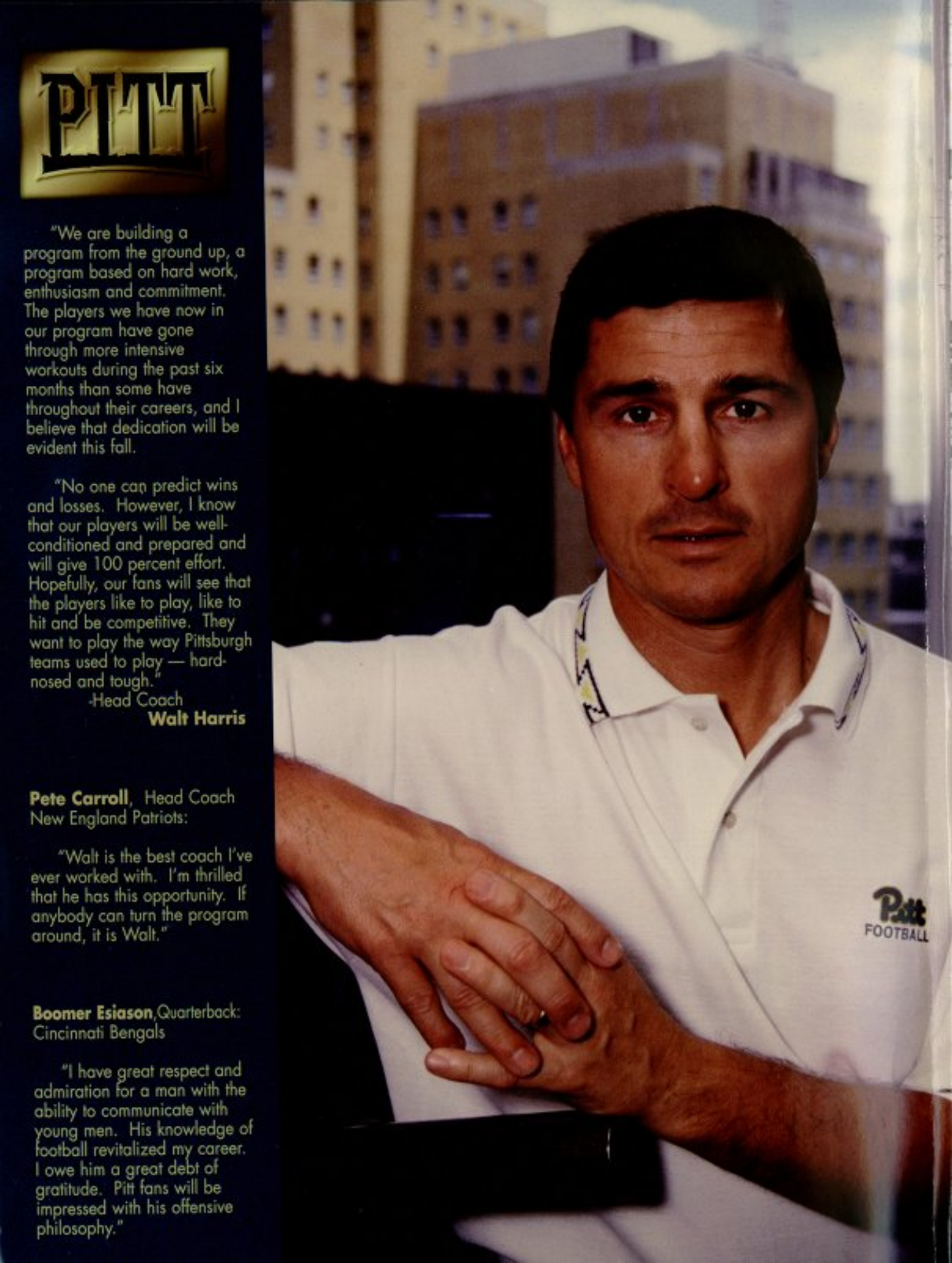
Head Coach
Walt Harris



"We are building a program from the ground up, a program based on hard work, enthusiasm and commitment. The players we have now in our program have gone through more intensive workouts during the past six months than some have throughout their careers, and I believe that dedication will be evident this fall.

"No one can predict wins and losses. However, I know that our players will be well-conditioned and prepared and will give 100 percent effort. Hopefully, our fans will see that the players like to play, like to hit and be competitive. They want to play the way Pittsburgh teams used to play — hard-nosed and tough."

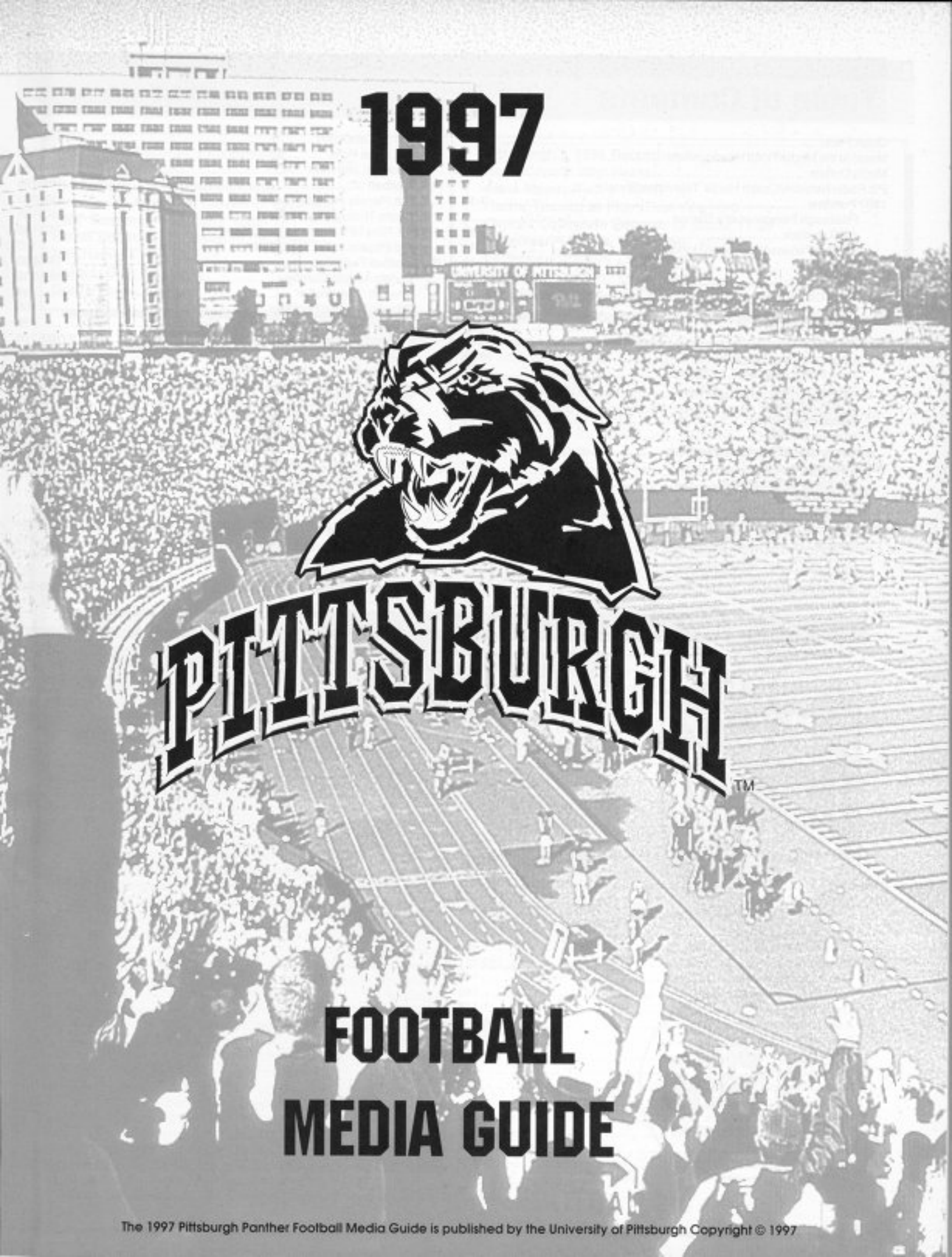
-Head Coach
Walt Harris

Pete Carroll, Head Coach New England Patriots:

"Walt is the best coach I've ever worked with. I'm thrilled that he has this opportunity. If anybody can turn the program around, it is Walt."

Boomer Esiason, Quarterback: Cincinnati Bengals

"I have great respect and admiration for a man with the ability to communicate with young men. His knowledge of football revitalized my career. I owe him a great debt of gratitude. Pitt fans will be impressed with his offensive philosophy."



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Quick Facts

Location: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Enrollment: 31,656
Chancellor: Mark A. Nordenberg
Director of Athletics: Steven C. Pederson
1997 Season: Pittsburgh's 108th
Home Stadium: Pitt Stadium (56,150)
Nickname: Panthers
Colors: Blue and Gold
Conference: Big East

Pittsburgh's 1996 Record: 4-7
Head Coach: Walt Harris
Alma Mater: Pacific (1968)
Harris' Record at Pitt: (First Year) 0-0
Overall Collegiate Record: (3 years) 11-24
Lettermen/Starters Returning: 45/17
Lettermen/Starters Lost: 19/7
Offensive System: Pro Offense
Defensive System: Multiple 4-3

1997 PITT FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	SITE
Aug. 30	**SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA**	**3:30 p.m.**	**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**
Sept. 6	at Penn State (ABC)	3:30 p.m.	State College, Pennsylvania
Sept. 13	at Houston (Fox Sports)	3 p.m. (EDT)	Houston, Texas
Sept. 18	**MIAMI*+# (ESPN)**	**8 p.m.**	**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**
Oct. 4	at Temple* (Big East TV)	Noon	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Oct. 11	**NOTRE DAME (CBS)**	**3:30 p.m.**	**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**
Oct. 25	at Rutgers* (Big East TV)	Noon	New Brunswick, New Jersey
Nov. 1	at Boston College*	3:30 p.m.	Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts
Nov. 15	**SYRACUSE***	**3:30 p.m.**	**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**
Nov. 22	**VIRGINIA TECH***	**3:30 p.m.**	**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania**
Nov. 28	at West Virginia* (CBS)	2:30 p.m.	Morgantown, West Virginia

** Big East Conference games* *+ Homecoming* *# Thursday Night Game*

1996 RECORD (4-7, 3-4)

Pitt	0	West Virginia	34
Pitt	52	Kent	14
Pitt	35	Houston (OT)	42
Pitt	0	@ Ohio State	72
Pitt	0	@ Miami	45
Pitt	53	Temple	52
Pitt	7	@ Syracuse	55
Pitt	17	@ Virginia Tech	34
Pitt	20	Boston College	13
Pitt	6	@ Notre Dame	60
Pitt	24	Rutgers	9

PITT VS. 1997 OPPONENTS

	1st Game	W	L	T
Southwestern La.	--	0	0	0
Penn State	1893	41	47	4
West Virginia	1895	55	31	0
Houston	1996	0	1	0
Miami	1950	8	15	1
Temple	1938	20	6	1
Syracuse	1916	25	24	3
Virginia Tech	1993	0	4	0
Boston College	1959	12	9	0
Notre Dame	1909	16	39	1
Rutgers	1981	11	2	0

PITT COACHING STAFF

Walt Harris, Head Coach, Pacific, 1968
Larry Coyer, Defensive Coordinator/Linebackers, Marshall, 1964
Steve Mooshagian, Offensive Coordinator/Wide Receivers, Fresno State, 1983
J. D. Brookhart, Tight Ends/Special Teams Assistant, Colorado State, 1988
Curt Cignetti, Recruiting Coordinator/Quarterbacks, West Virginia, 1982
Tom Freeman, Offensive Line, San Diego State, 1969
Bob Junko, Defensive Tackles, Tulsa, 1969
Bill McGovern, Defensive Backs, Holy Cross, 1985
Vincent White, Running Backs, Stanford, 1984
Brian Williams, Defensive Ends/Special Teams Coordinator, Kentucky, 1986
Buddy Morris, Strength and Conditioning Coach, Pittsburgh, 1980
Chris LaSala, Director of Football Operations, West Virginia, 1988
Brian Callahan, Graduate Assistant, Eastern Illinois, 1992
Jeff Jordan, Graduate Assistant, California Polytech State University-SLO, 1992

Memo To The Media

This book has been prepared for members of the working media who will cover the Pittsburgh football team during the 1997 season, as well as Pitt fans, friends and alumni. Additions to the contents of this book; changes in personnel, plans and policy; and supplemental information will be provided prior to and during the football season by the media relations office. If you desire additional information, please contact: **Media Relations, University of Pittsburgh, P.O. Box 7436, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. Phone: (412) 648-8240.**

The office is located on the second floor of Pitt Stadium, via the Gate 2 entrance.

Media Coverage Policy

Practice Coverage: Media representatives are welcome to cover Pitt football practice, but they should notify Ron Wahl of the media relations office in advance for proper clearance. **For interviews, please allow at least 24 hours for requests.**

Head Coach Walt Harris will be available for brief pre-arranged interviews prior to the start of practice, or for more lengthy interviews after practice sessions. Please notify the Pittsburgh media relations office with any requests at least a day in advance.

Player interviews are not allowed during practice or while players are going to the practice field. Player interviews after practice must be pre-arranged through the Pittsburgh media relations office. Player interviews after practice will be conducted after the requested player showers. A day's notice is requested in order to ensure the player receives the interview notice. **The deadline for player interviews during game weeks is noon Thursday.** Lengthy player feature interviews can be arranged through the media relations office with proper notice.

Assistant coaches will also be available after practice sessions.

Cameramen and photographers may shoot only from the sidelines at practice and the first 20 minutes of practice. Please refrain from edging onto the playing field to avoid any injury to players and/or photographer.

Dialogue between players and coaches at practice is confidential. Please use discretion in reporting practice in such areas as plays, formations and injuries. Television cameramen may not shoot formations. If there are any question in your mind about what may be reported, please ask Coach Harris.

Media representatives are requested to refrain from contacting players late at night, and **player telephone numbers will not be released by the media relations office.**

Postgame Interviews: The postgame press conference for Pittsburgh home games will be held in the Eiseman-Prussin Room, located between Gates 2 and 3 of Pitt Stadium. Coach Harris and, generally, the visiting head coach will attend the press conference. A few select Pittsburgh players will also be available for interviews. Requests for players not appearing at the postgame press conference will also be accepted. Pittsburgh's locker room is closed to the media and public.

Telephones: The media relations office supplies an adequate number of telephones in the press box available for general use by visiting writers. Credential requests should indicate interest in the use of these phones. Personal phone lines at assigned seats can be ordered at individual seats by contacting Ken Wolfe at Bell Atlantic at (412) 633-6907. The telephone number in the press box is (412) 648-9172.

In-Season Media Opportunities

Pitt Football Press Luncheons: Coach Harris will conduct his weekly press luncheons on Mondays, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Selected players and assistant coaches will also be available at the luncheons for interview and photo opportunities.

Big East Football Teleconference: Coach Harris will be available for interviews via a Big East Football Conference teleconference every Monday from 11:20 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The number for media to access the teleconference is (913) 661-0920.

Credentials: Requests for working press, photo and broadcast credentials for Pittsburgh's 1997 home games should be made in writing on company letterhead at least two weeks before the game in question. Direct all requests in writing to Ron Wahl, assistant athletic director for media relations, University of Pittsburgh, P.O. Box 7436, Pittsburgh, PA 15213. Credentials that cannot be mailed will be left at the press will-call window outside Gate 11 at Pitt Stadium.

Because of the demand for credentials and the limited space in the press box, media organizations covering the visiting school on a regular basis will receive top priority. All other credentials for print media will be issued on the basis of circulation. Only local radio stations with a full-time sports director conducting a daily sports show will be considered for credentials.

PITT ROAD HEADQUARTERS

Penn State (Sept. 6)
Ramada Inn State College
1450 South Atherton Street
State College, PA 16801
(814) 238-3001

Houston (Sept. 13)
JW Marriott Hotel
5150 Westheimer Road
Houston, Texas 77056
(713) 961-1500

Temple (Oct. 4)
Marriott/Philadelphia Airport
Arrivals Road
Philadelphia International Airport
Philadelphia, PA 19153
(215) 492-6794

Rutgers (Oct. 25)
Embassy Suites Hotel
121 Centennial Avenue
Piscataway, NJ 08854
(908) 980-0500

Boston College (Nov. 1)
Boston Marriott Newton
2345 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02166
(617) 969-1000

West Virginia (Nov. 28)
Holiday Inn/Meadowlands
340 Racetrack Road
Washington, PA 15301
(412) 222-6200

Important Phone Numbers

Media Relations Office: (412) 648-8240
Ticket Office: (412) 648-8300
Football Press Box: (412) 648-9172
Football Office: (412) 648-8700
Ron Wahl (H): (412) 864-6627
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Pitt Football Primary Media Outlets

Print

Altoona Mirror, P.O. Box 2008, Altoona, PA 16603, (814) 946-7411. Fax: (814) 946-7540. (Jim Lane, sports editor; Neil Rudel, assoc. sports editor)

Beaver County Times, 400 Fair Avenue, Beaver, PA 15009. (412) 775-3200. Fax: (412) 775-4180. (Ed Rose, sports editor; Mike Bires, beat writer)

Connellsville Courier, 127 West Apple Street, Connellsville, PA 15425. (412) 628-2000. Fax: (412) 628-4496. (Ron Rubinkowski, sports editor)

Harrisburg Patriot-News, Box 2265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-2265 (717) 255-8180. Fax: (717) 257-4747. (Nick Horvath, sports editor; Fred Sprunk, beat writer)

Indiana Gazette, P.O. Box 10, Indiana, PA 15701. (412) 465-5555. Fax: (412) 349-4550 (Tony Coccagna, sports editor)

Irwin Standard-Observer, P.O. Box 280, Irwin, PA 15642. (412) 863-3601. Fax: (412) 523-6805 (Jim Wexell, sports editor; Frank Verdecchia, beat writer)

Johnstown Tribune-Democrat, P.O. Box 340, 425 Locust Street, Johnstown, PA 15907. (814) 532-5050. Fax: (814) 539-1409. (Chip Minemyer, sports editor; Dale Girdnic, beat writers)

McKeesport Daily News, 409 Walnut Street, McKeesport, PA 15132. (412) 664-9161. Fax: (412) 664-3974. (Norm Vargo, sports editor)

North Hills News Record, 137 Commonwealth Drive, Warrendale, PA 15086. (412) 772-3900. Fax: (412) 772-3915. (Tom Hayden, sports editor)

The Patriot, 125 Melvin Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15236. (412) 655-9224. Fax: (412) 655-9224. (Donna Rae, sports editor).

Pitt News (student newspaper), William Pitt Union, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. (412) 648-7980. Fax: (412) 648-8491. (Kevin Lilley, sports editor)

Pittsburgh Courier, 315 E. Carson Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219. (412) 481-8302. Fax: (412) 481-1360. (Lisa McClendan, editorial admin.)

Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, 34 Boulevard of the Allies, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. (412) 263-1621. Fax: (412) 263-1926. (Fritz Huysman, ass't managing editor/sports; Jim Barger, sports editor; Shelly Anderson, beat writer; Bruce Keidan, Ron Cook, Bob Smizik and Gene Collier, columnists)

Tribune-Review, Cabin Hill Drive, Greensburg, PA 1560. (412) 834-1511. Fax: (412) 830-6285 (Dave Ailes, sports editor; Steve Sampsell, beat writer, and Sam Ross, columnist)

Uniontown Herald-Standard, 8-18 East Church Street, Uniontown, PA 15401. (412) 439-7500. Fax: (412) 439-7559. (Mike Ciarochi, sports editor)

Valley Independent, Eastgate 19, Monessen, PA 15062. (412) 684-5200. Fax: (412) 684-8104. (Brian Herman, sports editor; Jeff Oliver, beat writer)

Valley Mirror, 3910 Main Street, Munhall, PA 15120. (412) 462-0626. Fax: (412) 462-1847. (Darrell Hess, sports editor)

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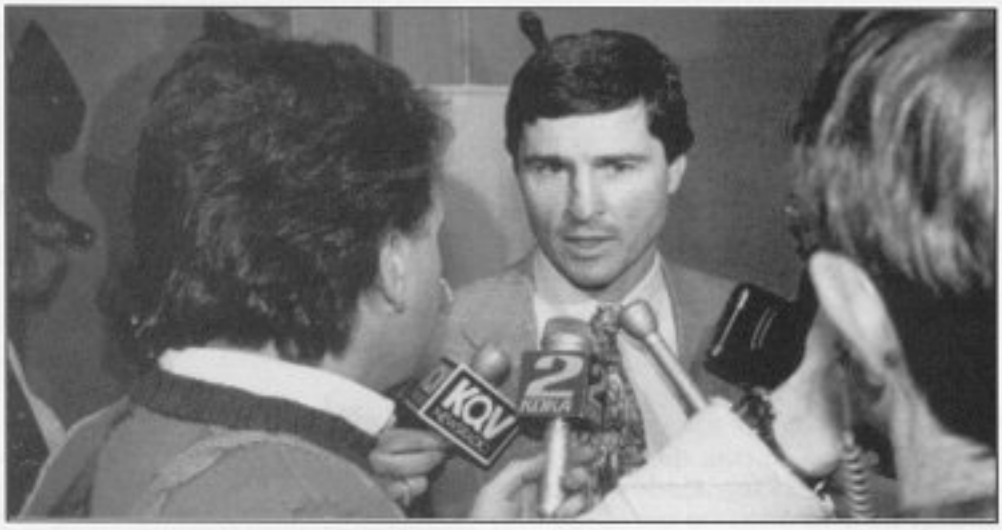

Vandergrift News, 143 Washington Street, Vandergrift, PA 15690. (412) 567-5656. Fax: (412) 568-3818. (JoJo Bodner, sports editor)

Washington Observer-Reporter, 122 S. Main Street, Washington, PA 15301. (412) 222-2200. Fax: (412) 225-2077. (Tom Rose, sports editor; Tom Spray, beat writer)

Wire Services

Associated Press, 6 Gateway Center, Suite 222, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. (412) 281-3747. Fax: (412) 281-1869. (Alan Robinson, sports editor)

Television

WTAE (Channel 4, Pittsburgh), 400 Ardmore Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15221. (412) 242-4300. Fax: (412) 244-4628. (Pat Pariss and Andrew Stockey reporters; Alridge Brown, producer)

KDKA (Channel 2, Pittsburgh), One Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. (412) 575-2200. Fax: (412) 575-2871. (Bruce Shepman, sports producer; Bob Pompeani, John Steigerwald and Paul Steigerwald, sports reporters)

WPXI (Channel 11, Pittsburgh), 11 Television Hill, Pittsburgh, PA 15214. (412) 237-1212. Fax: (412) 323-8097. (Frank Gilbert, sports producer; John Fedko, sports anchor; Sam Nover, sports reporter)

Fox 53, 450 Ivory Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15214. (412) 931-5300. Fax: (412) 931-4284. (Alby Oxenreiter, sports director; Kurt Angle, sports reporter)

Fox Sports Pitsburgh, Two Allegheny Center, Suite 1000, Pittsburgh, PA 15212. (412) 322-9500. Fax: (412) 237-8439. (Gil Lucas, program development; Paul Kotsuth, executive producer; Bill Craig, general manager; Guy Junker and Stan Savran, SportsBeat hosts)

WWCP-WATM (FOX, Johnstown), 1450 Scalp Ave., Johnstown, PA 15904. (814) 266-8088. Fax: (814) 266-8329. (David Pingalore, sports director; Ryan Brant, sports anchor/reporter)

WJAC (Channel 6, Johnstown), 49 Old Hickory Lane, Johnstown, PA 15905. (814) 255-7600. Fax: (814) 255-7658 (Tim Rigby, sports director)

WTAJ (Channel 10, Altoona), P.O. Box 10, Altoona, PA 16603. (814) 944-2031. Fax: (814) 531-4068 (Jim Gregory, sports director)

Radio

WTAE-AM, 400 Ardmore Boulevard, Pittsburgh, PA 15221. (412) 731-1250. Fax: (412) 244-4596. (Bill Hillgrove, Gerry Dulac, Ed Bouchette and Mark Madden, talk show hosts; Jim Colony, sports reporter)

KDKA-AM, One Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. (412) 575-2547. Fax: (412) 575-2874. (Goose Goslin, sports director; Thor Tolo, talk show host; P.J. Kumanchik, assistant sports director)

KQV-AM, 650 Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222 (412) 562-5900. Fax: (412) 562-5903. (Eric Hagman, sports director)

WAMO-FM, 960 Penn Avenue, Suite 200, Pittsburgh, PA 15222. (412) 456-4030. Fax: (412) 456-4040. (Tony Girdano, sports director; Tyrone Miller)

WBZZ-FM, 1715 Grandview Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15211. (412) 381-8100. Fax: (412) 920-9400. (Shelly Duffy, news director; Dale Moore, sports director)

WCNS-AM, 400 Unity Street, Latrobe, PA 15650. (412) 537-3338. Fax: (412) 539-9798. (Dow Carnahan, sports director)

WCVI-AM, 133 E. Crawford Avenue, Connellsville, PA 15425. (412) 628-4600. Fax: (412) 628-4600. (Brian Ellsworth, sports director)

WHJB-AM, 245 Brown Street, Greensburg, PA 15601. (412) 242-3303. Fax: (412) 628-5188. (Ralph Conde, sports director)

WPTS-FM (Pitt Campus Station), William Pitt Union, Pittsburgh, PA 15260. (412) 648-7990. Fax: 648-7998. (Jason Johnson, sports director)

WDVE-FM, 200 Fleet Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15220. (412) 937-1441. Fax: (412) 937-0323. (Eddie Crow, sports director)

WJAS-AM, 1459 Crane Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15220. (412) 531-4800. Fax: (412) 531-4068. (Bruce Keidan, talk show host)

SportsCall (Bill DiFabio), 63 LeMoyne Avenue, Washington, PA 15301 (412) 228-0985.

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Bill Osborn, Color Analyst, 6712 Brackenridge Drive, Indianapolis, IN 46236. Office/Fax: (317) 826-0266.

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Pitt Radio Network

Pitt football games, home and away, will once again be broadcast over a network across Pennsylvania with 1250 WTAE-AM operating as the network's flagship station.

For the 24th straight year, Bill Hillgrove will be the "Voice of the Panthers." Hillgrove's concise, accurate and descriptive style truly paints the picture for Pitt fans listening throughout the network. He also calls the action for the Pittsburgh Steelers, after being named their play-by-play announcer in the spring of 1994.

Prior to taking over the play-by-play duties, Hillgrove served as color analyst from 1970-73 when the late Ed Conway provided play-by-play description. Hillgrove has also been doing play-by-play for Pitt basketball since 1969. A popular and well-known Pittsburgh sports personality, Hillgrove has been WTAE's sports director since 1979, and has long been a Pitt ambassador of good will. He supports all Pitt athletic teams, attends Golden Panther functions, and emcees numerous events around the city.

Hillgrove is a 1962 graduate of Duquesne University.

Joining Hillgrove in the booth for his third season is former Pitt wide receiver and three-sport star Billy Osborn.

Although his broadcasting career has been brief, Osborn's refreshing prose and analysis has been a hit with Pitt football radio listeners.

Osborn, a 1989 Pitt graduate and Pitt football team captain in 1988, finished his career with 1,104 career receiving yards and 77 catches, which is 11th on Pitt's all-time receiveing list. Osborn spent one season with the Philadelphia Eagles, and then played part of the following year as a member of the Pittsburgh Gladiators arena football team. Presently a territory representative for Ethicon Inc., a Johnson and Johnson Company, Osborn also served as a professional scout for the Kansas City Chiefs during the 1992 season.

Hillgrove and Osborn will join forces to bring an entertaining post game report to listeners; Hillgrove will conduct locker room interviews with Coach Walt Harris and key Panther players. Osborn also will conduct a post-game show and will field telephone calls from interested listeners following the post game report.

WTAE will once again present the weekly Panther SportsLine call-in show, hosted by Bill Hillgrove and featuring Pittsburgh Head Football Coach Walt Harris. The show airs each Monday throughout the football season from 8-9 p.m., giving football fans an opportunity to talk one-on-one with Coach Harris.

Bill Hillgrove (right), "The Voice of the Panthers" for the 24th straight season, and Bill Osborn (left), in his third year, provide Pitt football listeners an entertaining and informative broadcast.

1997 Pitt Football Radio Network

At press time, these were the stations comprising Pittsburgh's football radio network:

WMBA (1460 AM) - Ambridge, PA
WESB (1490 AM) - Bradford, PA
WBUT (1050 AM) - Butler, PA
W100 (1000 AM) - Carlisle, PA
WDAD (1450 AM) - Indiana, PA
WJAC (850 AM) - Johnstown, PA
WQTW (1570 AM) - Latrobe, PA
WOYL (1340 AM) - Oil City, PA
WWDL (104.9 FM) - Scranton, PA
WVSC (990 AM) - Somerset, PA
WRKP (96.5 FM) - Moundsville, WV

Flagship Station
WTAE (1250 AM) - Pittsburgh, PA

"Panther Football With Coach Walt Harris"

Head Football Coach Walt Harris will conduct a weekly television show that airs on Saturdays at 11:30 a.m. on WTAE-TV.

This year's show, titled "Panther Football With Coach Walt Harris" is a weekly half-hour television show featuring Pittsburgh Head Football Coach Walt Harris, the Panther football program, as well as other aspects of Pittsburgh athletics.

The Panthers on Television

The Panthers will once again be a popular television team during the 1997 season.

At least four of Pittsburgh's games during the season will be carried by national networks, and two more contests will be aired as part of the Big East Game of the Week package. Fox Sports will also air one of Pittsburgh's games.

Following is a preliminary listing of the Panthers' television games:

ABC
Sept. 6—at Penn State, 3:30 p.m.
CBS
Oct. 11—Notre Dame, 3:30 p.m.
Nov. 28 (Friday)—at WVU, 2:30 p.m.
ESPN
Sept. 18 (Thursday)—Miami, 8 p.m.
Big East Game of the Week
Oct. 4—at Temple, noon
Oct. 25—at Rutgers, noon
Fox Sports
Sept. 13—at Houston, 3 p.m. (EDT)

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Personnel At A Glance

Returning Personnel

Lettermen Returning: 45
Starters Returning: 17
24 Offense (9 starters)
19 Defense (7 starters)
2 Specialists (1 starter)

*Players listed under 1996 positions and the chart does not reflect any potential position changes for the 1997 season.

OFFENSE (24):

Wide Receiver (3): JAKE HOFFART*, Vital Joseph***, Andy Molinaro*
Tackle (4): TONY ORLANDINI***, MIKE SCHULTZ**, Justin Wade*, Ethan Weidle*
Guard (3): JON MARZOCH**, Jason Sepkowski**, Ben Kopp*
Center (2): REGGIE THOMAS***, Andrew Grischow*
Tight End (2): JOHN JONES**, Kirk McMullen*
Quarterback (4): MATT LYTLE**, Darnell Dinkins*, Pete Gonzalez**, Tony Zimmerman*
Tailback (4): BILLY WEST***, Hank Poteat*, Dwayne Schulters*, LaFann Williams*
Fullback (2): CHRIS SCHNEIDER**, Karim Thompson*

DEFENSE (19):

End (5): Marlin Young**, Chris Dilba*, Djems Don*, Trey McCray*, Jason Soboleski*
Tackle (3): DEMOND GIBSON*, Frank Moore***, Kenny Pegram**
Outside Linebacker (4): CURTIS McGHEE***, ERNEST COAKLEY*, Phillip Clarke**, Ken Konek*
Inside Linebacker (2): ROD HUMPHREY***, Julian Graham*
Strong Safety (2): CHUCK BROWN**, Seth Hornack*
Free Safety (1): JOHN JENKINS***
Cornerback (2): E.C. VAROUTSOS*, Rasshad Whitmill**

SPECIALISTS (2):

Kicker (1): CHRIS FERENCIK**
Punter (0):
Long Snapper (1): John Parker*

PERSONNEL LOST

Lettermen Lost: 19
Starters Lost: 7
7 Offense (2 starters)
9 Defense (4 starters)
3 Specialists (1 starter)

OFFENSE (7):

Wide Receiver (2): MARK BUTLER**, Leon Murray*
Tackle (1): Tim Robbins***
Guard (3): JEFF CRAIG****, Brian Minehart*, Chris Kauffman*
Fullback (1): Chris Beasley**

DEFENSE (9):

End (2): JASON CHAVIS****, JARED MILLER****
Tackle (1): MIKE MOHRING****
Outside Linebacker (2): Maurice Harris**, Nnamdi Nkwuo*
Inside Linebacker (1): Nathan Kirby*
Strong Safety (1): Jim Williams****
Cornerback (2): CURTIS ANDERSON****, Nduka Ibekwe*

SPECIALISTS (3):

Kicker (2): Chris Burnett**, Steve Kalmanides**
Punter (1): NATE COCHRAN****

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A new head coach, a new attitude and a new direction.

Those are three ingredients that will make up the 1997 Pittsburgh Panther football team as a new era begins with first-year Head Coach Walt Harris.

Harris comes to Pittsburgh with some impressive credentials and is widely known in football circles as one of the brightest offensive minds in the game. His offensive wizardry was apparent at his last stop at Ohio State, where he served the past two years as the quarterbacks coach and was instrumental in transforming the Buckeyes into one of the most explosive offensive teams in the country. Harris orchestrated Ohio State's final scoring drive that clinched the Buckeyes' 20-17 Rose Bowl victory against previously unbeaten Arizona State.

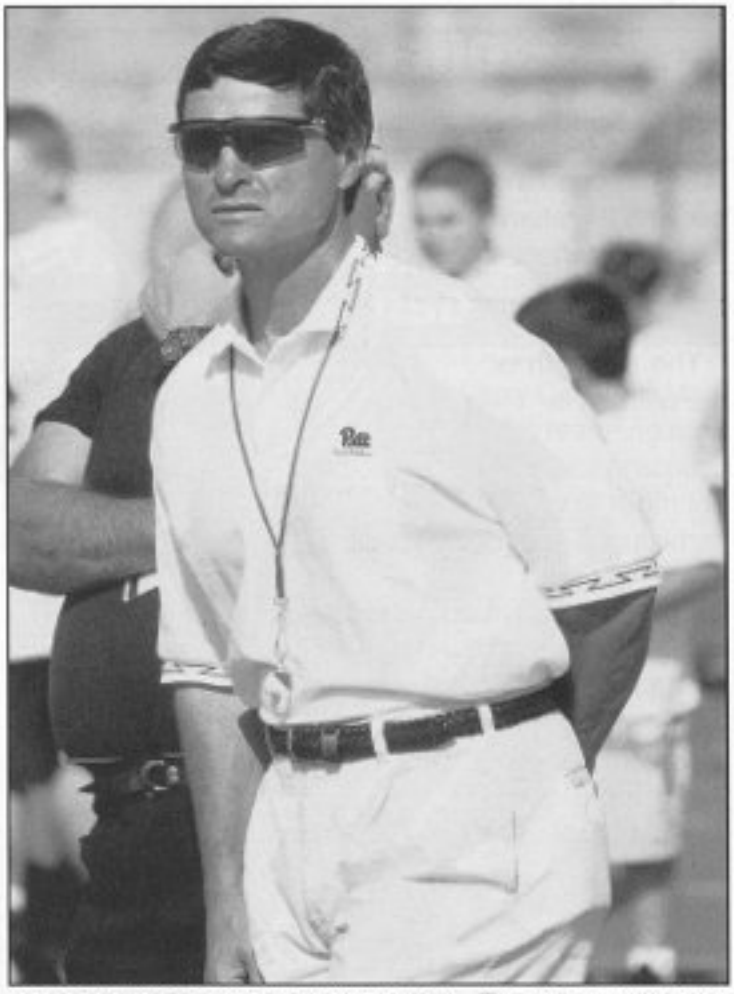
But, it is Harris' background as a defensive coach—where he began his career— that sets him apart from other offensive masterminds. He also brings the experience of building football programs. His first and only other head coaching position was at his alma mater, Pacific, where he attempted to rebuild that program.

Rebuilding the Panthers into a competitive program once again will be Harris' initial charge. This past spring, he had his first opportunity to assess the team during the Panthers' 15 days of spring drills. What Harris saw was a renewed attitude and commitment, which he hopes will compensate for the team's deficiency in depth and talent.

"The difference in our overall physical condition has improved tremendously since the first day of winter camp and there has even been a significant improvment since spring drills. Those were only a few areas of weakness for us. How that physical conditioning, and how our players respond to our coaching can transferred to the football field will be keys to the success of our season."

—Head Coach Walt Harris

A total of 47 lettermen return, including 17 starters from the 1996 squad (nine on offense and seven on defense with one specialist). But previous status



means nothing on the 1997 team. Everyone will have to earn his position on the field, and Harris will not even speculate on a starting lineup until the week of the first game, which is Aug. 30 against Southwestern Louisiana.

"We need to get stronger and more physical," Harris said. "Coach (Buddy) Morris can help us get a lot better. Our players had enthusiasm and seemed to like to play football.

"We accomplished some of the goals during spring drills," added Harris. "We've got a ways to go, but the difference in our attitudes and overall physical condition has improved tremendously since the first day of winter camp. There has even been a significant improvement since spring drills. But, those were only a few areas of weakness for us. How that physical conditioning and how our players respond to our coaching can transfer to the football field will be keys to the success of our season. Hopefully, though, people will see that the players like to play, like to hit and be competitive the way Pittsburgh teams used to play—hard-nosed and tough."

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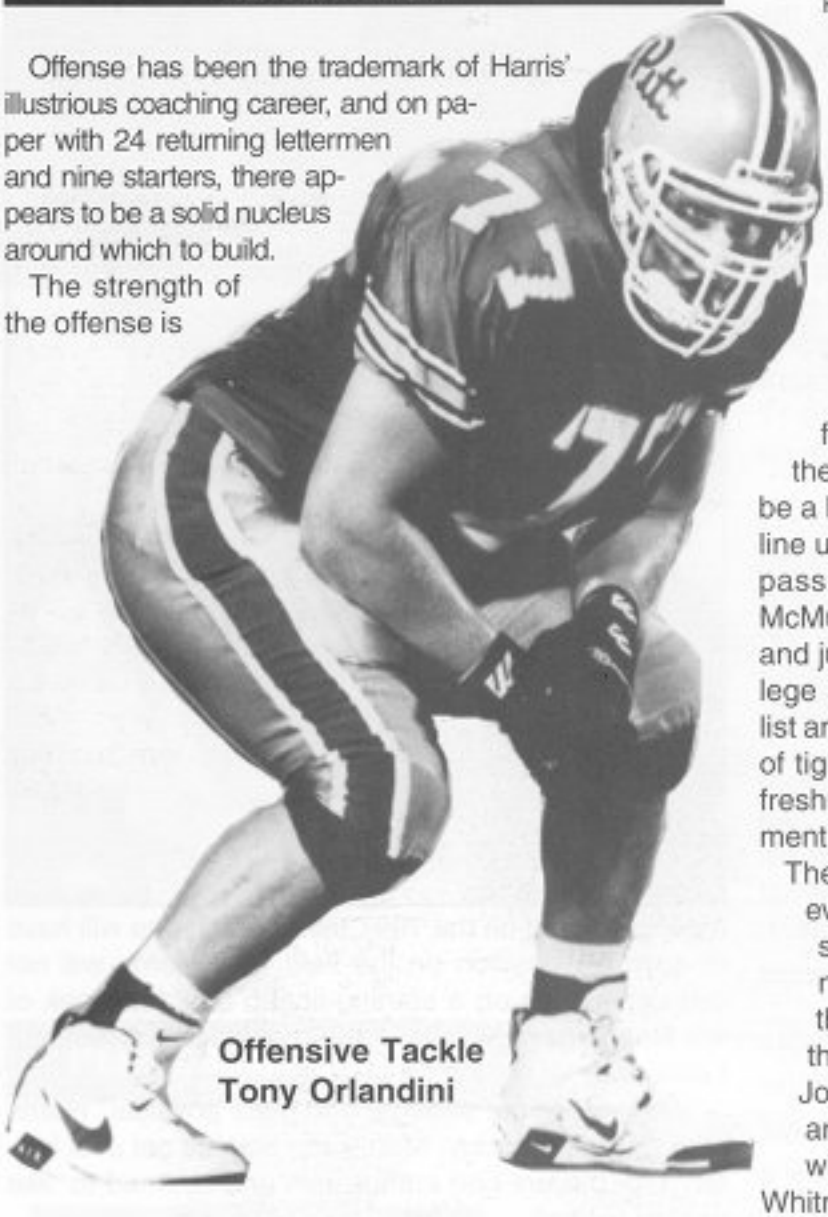
Offense

Offense has been the trademark of Harris' illustrious coaching career, and on paper with 24 returning lettermen and nine starters, there appears to be a solid nucleus around which to build.

The strength of the offense is the line, where several battle-tested upperclassmen return, including possible All-Star candidate Tony Orlandini, and veterans Jon Marzoch and Reggie Thomas. Orlandini, a senior, is a highly regarded player who has been plagued by injuries during his career. He is tough and talented, though, and if he remains healthy he could emerge as a top player in the Big East. Marzoch has been one of the Panthers' most consistent offensive linemen the past two years, while Thomas, a fifth-year senior and three-year starter, is an extremely versatile player who has played every offensive line position during his Pittsburgh career. He started all but one game in 1996—missing one because of injury—including six at center and four at left tackle. Thomas will probably swing between guard and center in 1997. Perhaps the most pleasant surprise of the spring was the emergence of sophomore Ethan Weidle, who developed nicely at the left tackle position. Junior Andrew Grischow, who started five games at center last year, is another returning letterman who should challenge for a starting assignment. Junior tackle Michael Schultz, sophomore tackle Justin Wade and senior center Jason Sepkowski also have some experience along the front line. Harris is hoping to receive some depth support from the 1997 recruiting class.



Offensive Tackle Tony Orlandini

Tight end could prove to be an improved area for the Panthers. Junior John Jones was one of the bright spots of spring drills and is expected to be a key performer for the Panthers. Jones could also line up on the defensive side in certain situations as a pass rushing specialist. Returning veterans Kirk McMullen, a former walk-on and blocking specialist, and junior Juan Williams, a highly regarded junior-college prospect who spent last season on the injured list and was redshirted, give the Panthers a solid group of tight end candidates. Joining the group is redshirt freshman Tim Robertson, who showed solid development during spring drills.

The Panthers' receiving corps will be a big concern even though a few young players surfaced during spring drills. Returning starter Jake Hoffart, a senior, and senior Vital Joseph are the veterans of the group. Both are versatile enough to play either split end or flanker. Freshman Ramel (Tiggett) Johnson, who enrolled at Pittsburgh in January, had an excellent spring and finished the spring game with four receptions for 64 yards. Junior Rasshad Whitmill, a converted defensive back, also developed nicely as a receiver during spring drills before suffering a knee injury in the final week of spring. He should be fully recovered by fall camp and could surface as a top-line receiver. Three other players who could help fortify the receiving corps are sophomore letterman Andy Molinaro, redshirt freshman Melvin Porter and freshman Cheo Angel, who enrolled at school during the winter term in January. Help could also be on the way from Pittsburgh's 1997 recruiting class.

For the first time in several years, there appears to be some depth at the running back position. Although plenty of questions remain at fullback, the halfback position has a group of talented prospects, led by crafty veterans Dwayne Schulters and Billy West. Schulters emerged as an excellent complement to West last sea-

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son and continued with an outstanding spring. West has seemingly recovered from some nagging injuries suffered in 1996, but missed a lot of practice time in the spring because of class conflicts. West's absence allowed some other younger players to develop, including sophomore Hank Poteat, who shuffled from offense to defense last year, and LaFann Williams, who was victim of an NCAA requirement technicality, which was later proven frivolous but forced him to miss the last six games of the season.

At fullback, junior Chris Schneider, who missed the entire spring rehabilitating a knee injury suffered in the Virginia Tech game last year, is the Panthers' only returning veteran. Junior walk-on Chris Feola handled most of the workload at fullback during spring drills until Creg Bethea moved from running back and performed solidly. Walk-on Ken Konek, who converted from linebacker, and redshirt freshman Tony Thompson, who missed all of spring drills while recuperating from a late-season knee injury in 1996, will help solidify the position. A few members of the 1997 recruiting class could also provide some help.

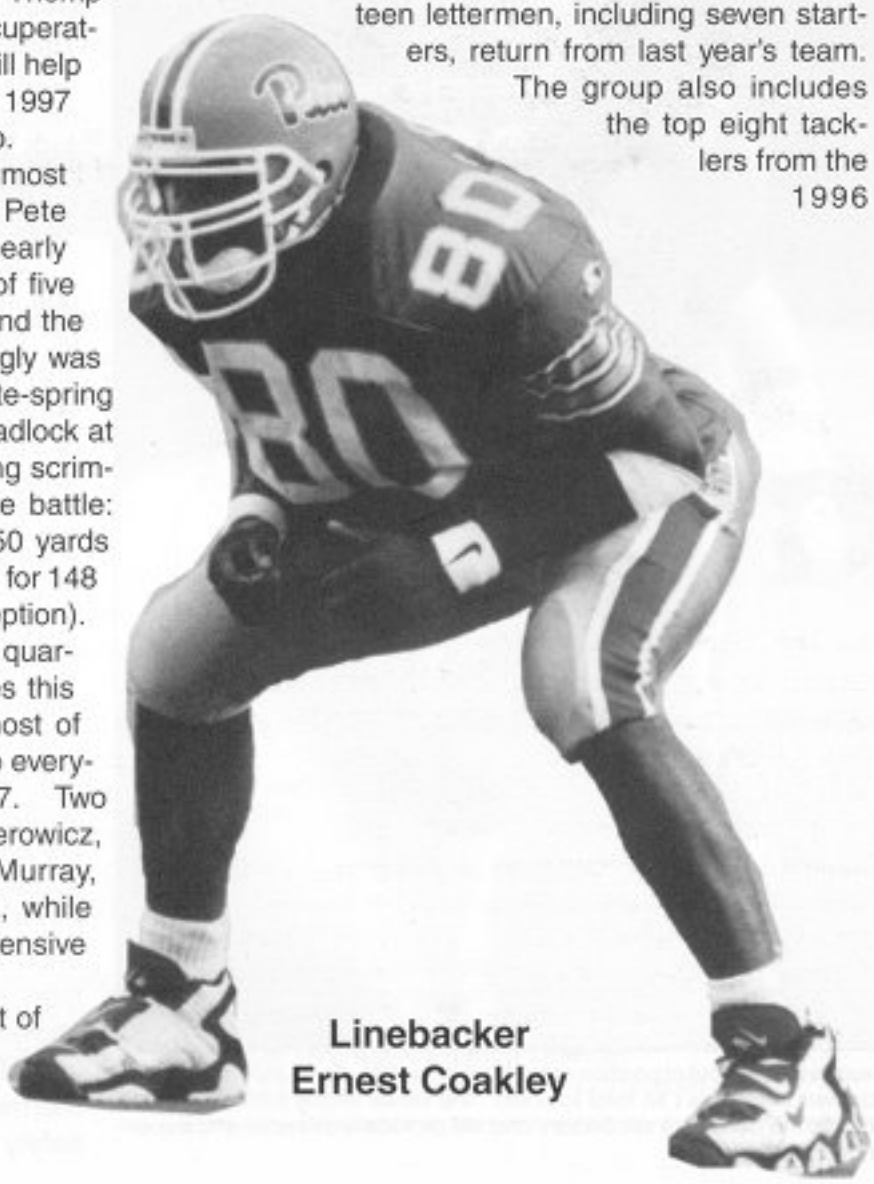
The quarterback situation was one of the most intriguing positions of the spring. Senior Pete Gonzalez and fourth-year junior Matt Lytle clearly emerged as the frontrunners from a group of five candidates, but Harris is not yet ready to hand the position to one individual. Gonzalez seemingly was the early favorite to win the position but a late-spring surge by Lytle left the position at a virtual deadlock at the conclusion of spring drills. The final spring scrimmage was evidence to the closeness of the battle: Gonzalez completed 12 of 21 passes for 150 yards and two touchdowns, while Lytle was 13-of-22 for 148 yards and one touchdown (with one interception). Sophomore Darnell Dinkins had a long look at quarterback, but probably will serve in a few roles this fall. Sophomore Tony Zimmerman spent most of the spring in a learning role and Harris will do everything possible to redshirt Zimmerman in 1997. Two other candidates, Leon Murray and Eric Kasperowicz, returned to quarterback in the spring. Murray, though, decided to transfer from Pittsburgh, while Kasperowicz will probably return to the defensive secondary in the fall.

"Overall, we feel like we accomplished a lot of the goals that we set out to accomplish in the spring," said Steve Mooshagian, Pittsburgh's offensive coordinator and receivers coach. "Basically, it was a new system for everyone and we think we did an adequate job of implementing that system. We have a ways to go still, but overall we were pleased with the progress of our spring practice as a whole."

Defense

Pittsburgh defensive coordinator Larry Coyer and the defensive staff spent most of the season teaching fundamentals and techniques. After 15 days of practice, even though Coyer believes there is plenty of room for improvement, he was guardedly optimistic about what he saw.

The good news for the Panthers is they have a pretty solid nucleus of veterans around which to build. Nineteen lettermen, including seven starters, return from last year's team. The group also includes the top eight tacklers from the 1996



Linebacker Ernest Coakley

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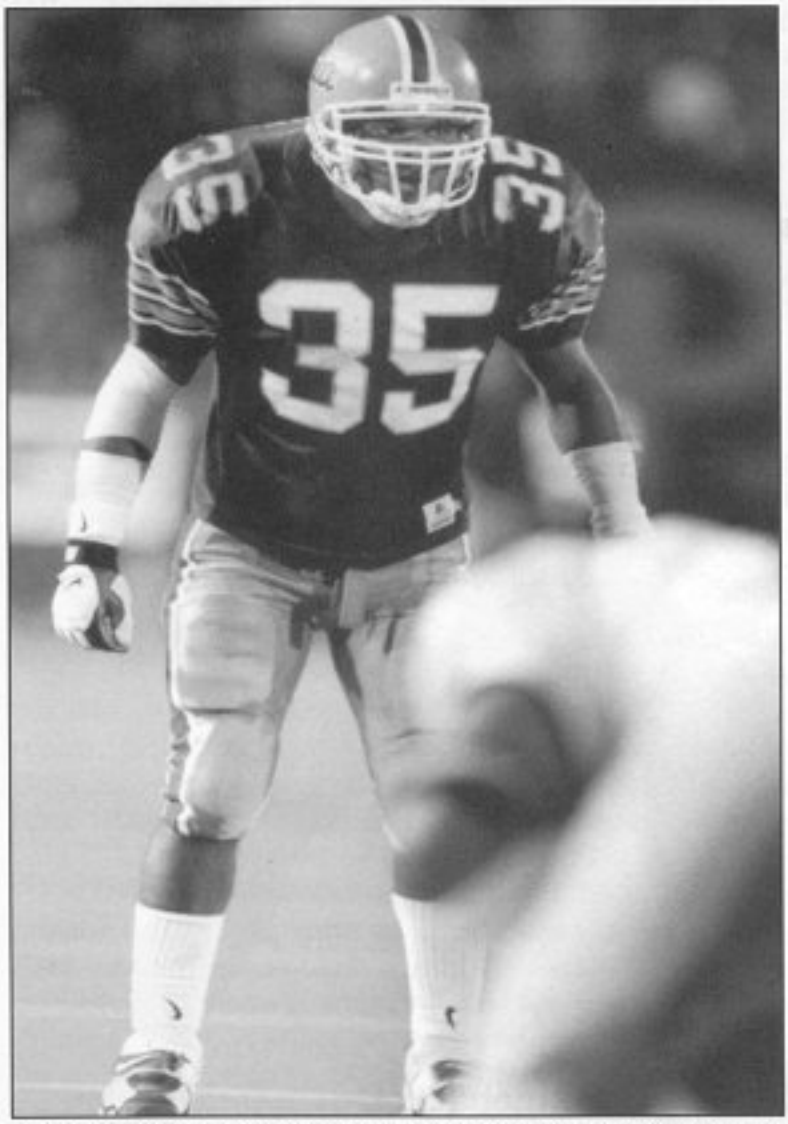
squad. In addition, several players moved from offense to defense to help bolster the defensive unit, most notably freshman wide receiver Chiffon Allen (to cornerback) and sophomore fullback Karim Thompson (to free safety). Both of those moves appeared to be tremendous successes.

Coyer believes the linebacker positions could be a key to the defensive unit and must be much improved this fall. With four returning lettermen and the development of some converted players, he believes this goal is achievable.

The linebacking unit is led by seniors Ernest Coakley and Rod Humphrey. Coakley had an outstanding season in 1996 despite suffering a knee injury that would have sidelined many players for an extended period of time. He missed just one game and finished the season as the third-leading tackler with 55 total stops. Humphrey is the veteran of the group and will be counted on for his leadership. One surprise during spring was the emergence of junior E.C. Varoutsos, who moved from the defensive secondary to linebacker in the spring. Varoutsos, who has played both safety and corner during his career, brings good speed and toughness to his new position. Other returning lettermen are junior Phillip Clarke and redshirt sophomore Julian Graham.



Despite playing out of position at linebacker in 1996, Curtis McGhee led the Panthers in tackles (86 total tackles). The senior strong safety will move back to the defensive secondary and will provide leadership and experience for the group.

There were a few pleasant surprises along the defensive line and Coyer is hoping some of the younger players develop over the summer to help fortify the unit. Senior Frank Moore and redshirt freshman Calvin Robinson showed the most significant improvement. Moore, a part-time starter the past two seasons, has good strength and athletic ability and could be a pillar along the defensive front. Sophomore Demond Gibson, who started all but one game in 1996—the season-opener—also returns at tackle. Sophomore Chris Dilba could also see some significant playing time at defensive tackle. Robinson, who sat out last year as a redshirt, showed good progress at defensive end and if he continues to improve could be a major contributor.

Senior Jason Soboleski will begin fall camp as one starting end, while junior Marlin Young will begin the fall as the starting rush end. Sophomore Trey McCray, who gained valuable game experience last year and even started the final two games of the season, will add depth along the defensive front.

The defensive secondary is the most inexperienced unit on the defense, despite the return of three-year starting safeties Curtis McGhee and John Jenkins, who finished one-two in tackles last year. McGhee, the leading tackler from the 1996 squad, has moved back to the secondary after playing the final five games of the 1996 campaign at outside linebacker. Jenkins has been a solid and durable player for the Panthers the past three years. He also has developed into a fine punt returner, averaging 10.9 yards a punt return in 1996. Sophomore Seth Hornack, who gained valuable experience as a part-time starter last year as a freshman, is an aggressive and tenacious defender who showed terrific progress in the spring. Thompson, a sophomore whose first two seasons have been marred by injuries, also developed nicely at free safety and could be a steady performer there for

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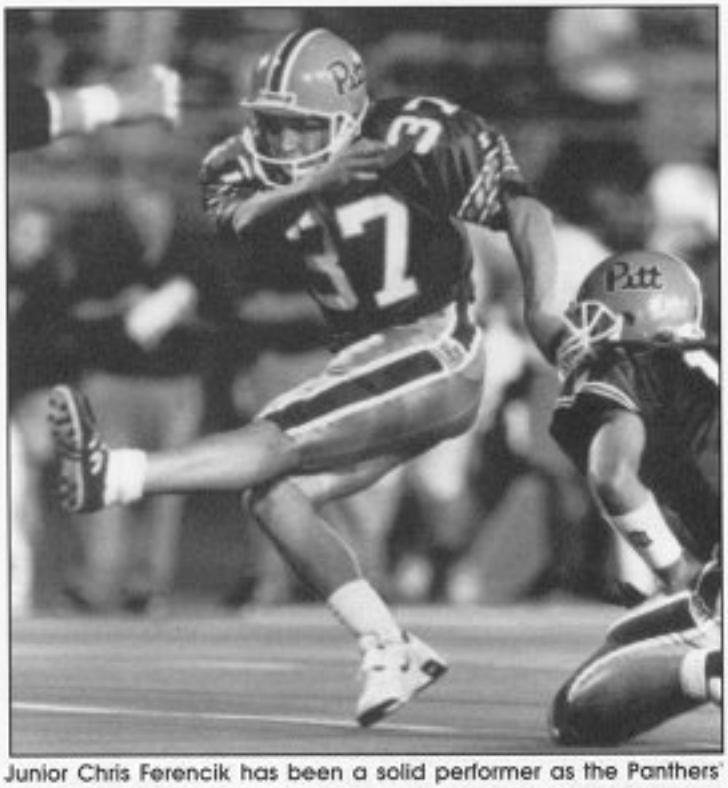
the Panthers in 1997.

Cornerback is a major concern for the Panthers and some help will have to arrive from the 1997 recruiting class. One bright spot, though, was Allen, who should be a lock for one of the cornerback positions. Allen possesses outstanding speed and athletic ability and made a remarkable transition to the secondary from wide receiver. Returning veteran Chuck Brown could be the key of the secondary if he can stay healthy. He has the game experience and athletic ability to blossom into a productive player.

"I think overall we made good progress fundamentally, especially with our tackling techniques and enthusiasm," Coyer said. "We also established an accountability to each other, and even though we made moderate progress with some different types of situations, that attitude enabled us to have a productive spring.

"We have a lot of work to do, but in general, we were pleased with what we accomplished during spring drills."



Junior Chris Ferencik has been a solid performer as the Panthers' starting placekicker the past two seasons.

Special Teams

Harris will have a huge void to fill on the special teams with the graduation of outstanding punter Nate Cochran, Pittsburgh's starting punter the past four seasons. The Panthers do return junior placekicker Chris Ferencik, who despite an off year in 1996, emerged as one of the top kickers in the country as a freshman in 1995. He should retain his placekicking duties in 1997 but will be challenged by Paul Ruzila, an outstanding high school soccer player who rejected several Division I soccer offers and joined the Panthers last fall as a walk-on.

Sophomore walk-on Grant Coffield, who has outstanding size and a powerful leg, has surfaced as the leading punting candidate, but he has yet to see any game experience. He will be competing with junior-college transfer Kevin Bever for the starting punting duties, along with junior walk-on Corey Plis, who has an outside shot at the punting position.

Jenkins will again be tested as a punt returner along with Poteat and Allen. Poteat, Schulters, LaFann Williams and West will be competing for kickoff return positions.

PRESEASON HONORS

Joe Conlin, Tight End
- *Athlon's* Big East's Top 50 Recruits List

Tom Coury, Offensive Linemen
- *Athlon's* Big East's Top 50 Recruits List

Kenny Harris, Running Back
- *Athlon's* Big East's Top 50 Recruits List

Jake Hoffart, Wide Receiver
- *Athlon's* Big East All-Conference

Rod Humphrey, Linebacker
- *Street & Smith's* Big East All-Conference
- *College & Pro Football Weekly* Big East All-Conference

John Jenkins, Punt Returner
- *Athlon's* Big East All-Conference

Jon Marzoch, Offensive Lineman
- *College & Pro Football Weekly* Big East All-Conference

Bryan Knight, Linebacker
- *Athlon's* Big East's Top 50 Recruits List

Reggie Thomas, Offensive Lineman
- *Street & Smith's* Big East All-Conference

Panther Depth Chart

OFFENSE

Punter
17-Grant Coffield
23-Kevin Bever

PK
36-Chris Ferencik
16-Paul Ruzila

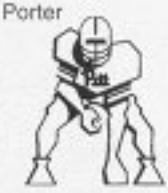
FB
32-Chris Schneider
29-Creg Bethea

QB
10-Pete Gonzalez /8-Matt Lytle
1-Darnell Dinkins

TB
24-Dwayne Schulters
20-Billy West

FL
19-Vital Joseph
18-Melvin Porter

SE
6-Ramel Johnson
25-Demetrius Harris



TE
86-John Jones
88-Kirk McMullen

RT
77-Tony Orlandini
78-Justin Wade

RG
56-Reggie Thomas
74-Ben Kopp

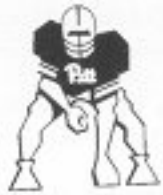
C
54-Andrew Grischow or
72-Jason Sepkowski

LG
76-Jon Marzoch
59-Jason Dugger

LT
61-Ethan Weidle
71-Mike Schultz

DEFENSE

LE
92-Marlin Young
50-Trey McCray



LT
70-Frank Moore
96-Chris Dilba

RT
94-Demond Gibson
62-Ken Pegram

RE
97-Jason Soboleski
55-Calvin Robinson

OLB
80-Ernest Coakley
45-Julian Graham

MLB
51-Rod Humphrey
95-Phillip Clarke

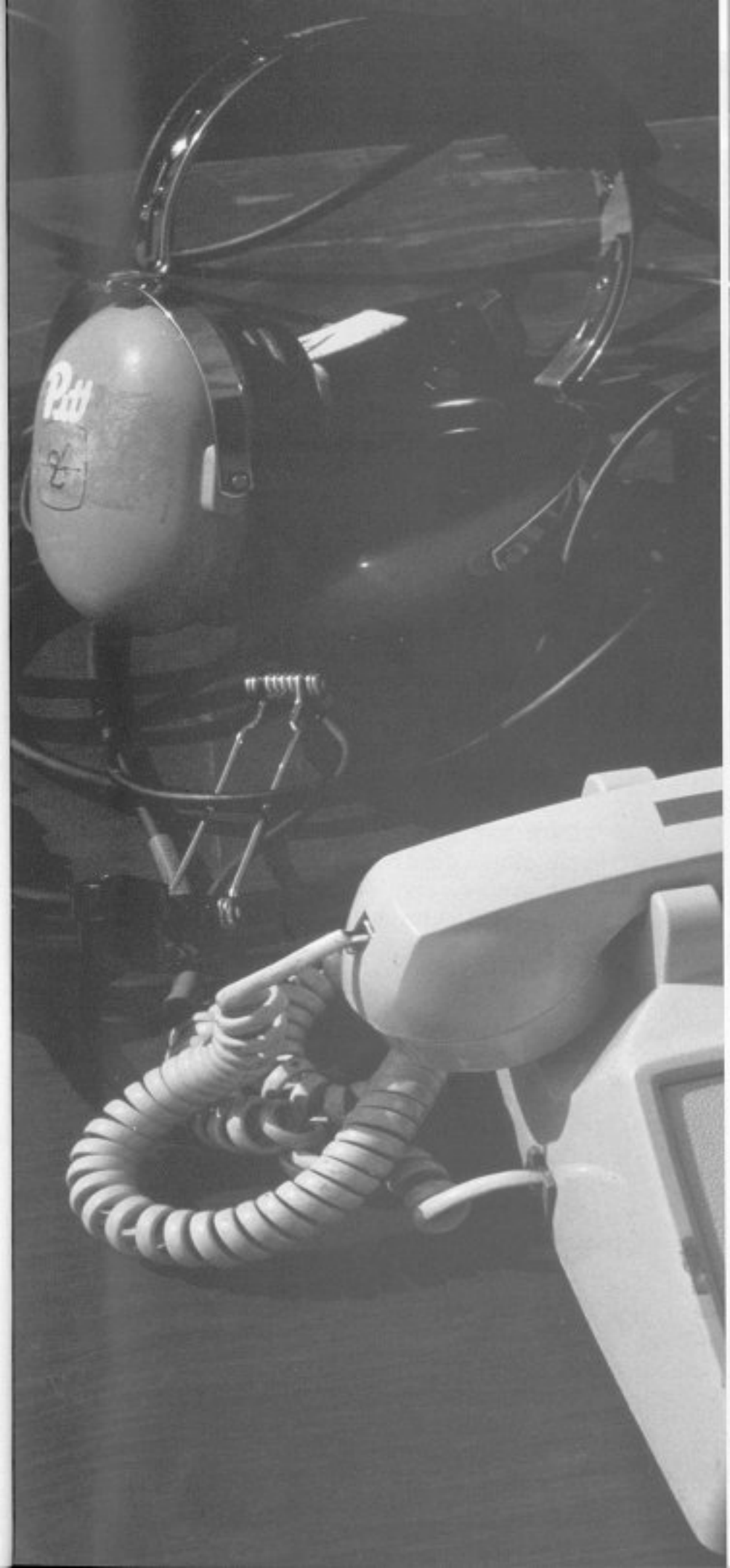
OLB
34-E.C. Varoutsos
44-Abu Whitaker

LCB
21-Chilffon Allen
7-Tray Crayton

SS
26-Seth Hornack
35-Curtis McGhee

FS
22-Karim Thompson
5-Eric Kasperowicz

RCB
15-John Jenkins
4-Chuck Brown



COACHING STAFF

Head Coach Walt Harris 16

Assistant Coaches 21

Football Support Staff 34

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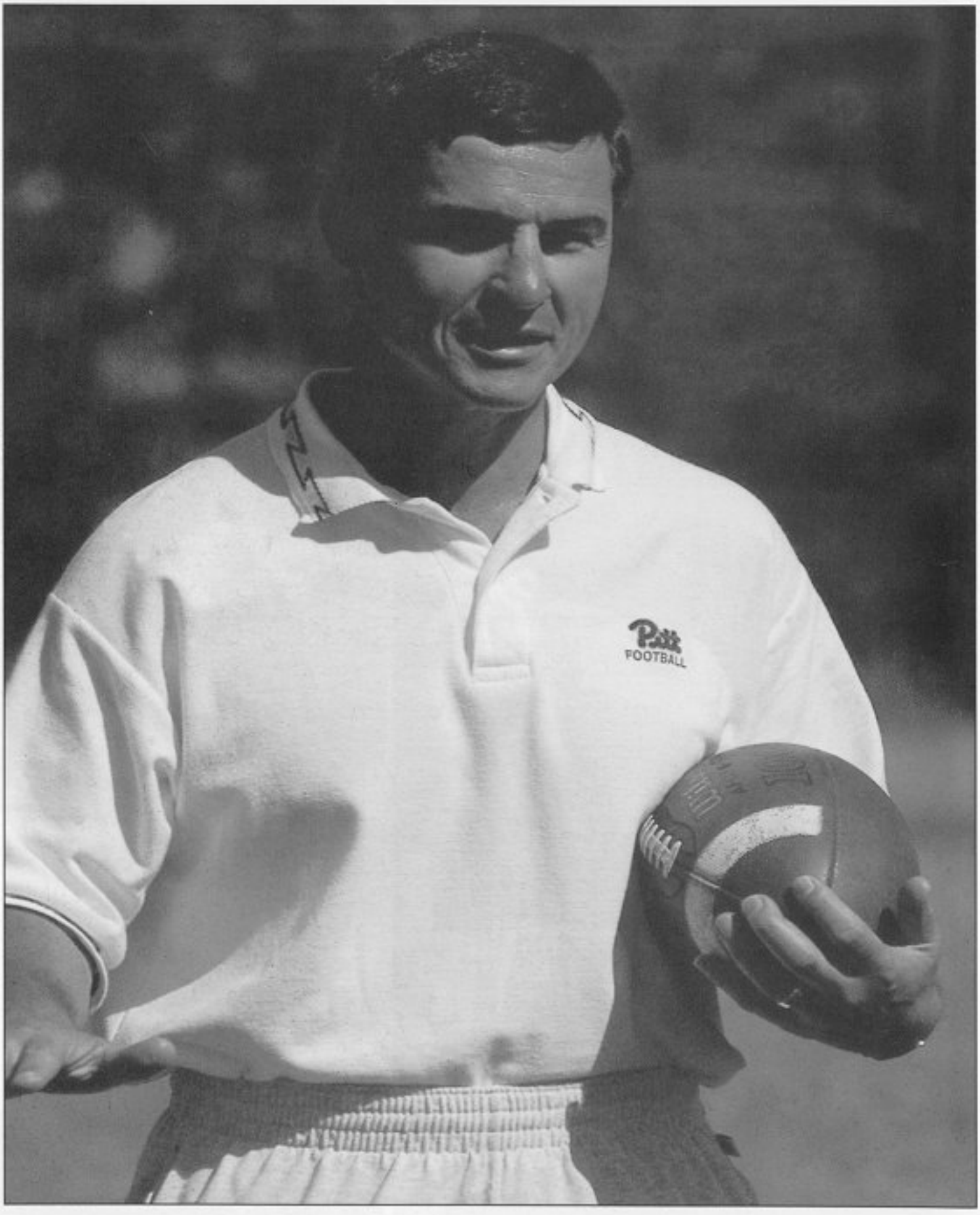
Head Coach Walt Harris



Walt Harris

When the University of Pittsburgh's newly appointed Athletic Director Steve Pederson began his search for a replacement for legendary football coach John Majors, there was one individual who was at the top of Pederson's list.

Pederson's extensive background in college athletics, in general, and collegiate football experience, specifically, helped him cultivate many respected contacts throughout the country, all of whom agreed on the one person who could lead the resurgence of the Pittsburgh football program—Walt Harris.

Harris, 50, the quarterbacks coach of the 1997 Rose Bowl-champion Ohio State Buckeyes, was appointed Pittsburgh's 33rd head football coach on Dec. 16 by Pederson. Two weeks later, Harris orchestrated the Buckeyes' last-minute scoring drive that resulted in Ohio State's dramatic 20-17 Rose Bowl victory against Arizona State.

Harris spent the past two seasons as the offensive mastermind at Ohio State and was instrumental in the development of Buckeye quarterback Bobby Hoying, who in 1995 threw for a school-record 3,269 yards and 29 touchdowns. Last year, the Ohio State offense ranked 16th in the country in total offense, averaging 451.1 yards a game (4,962 total).

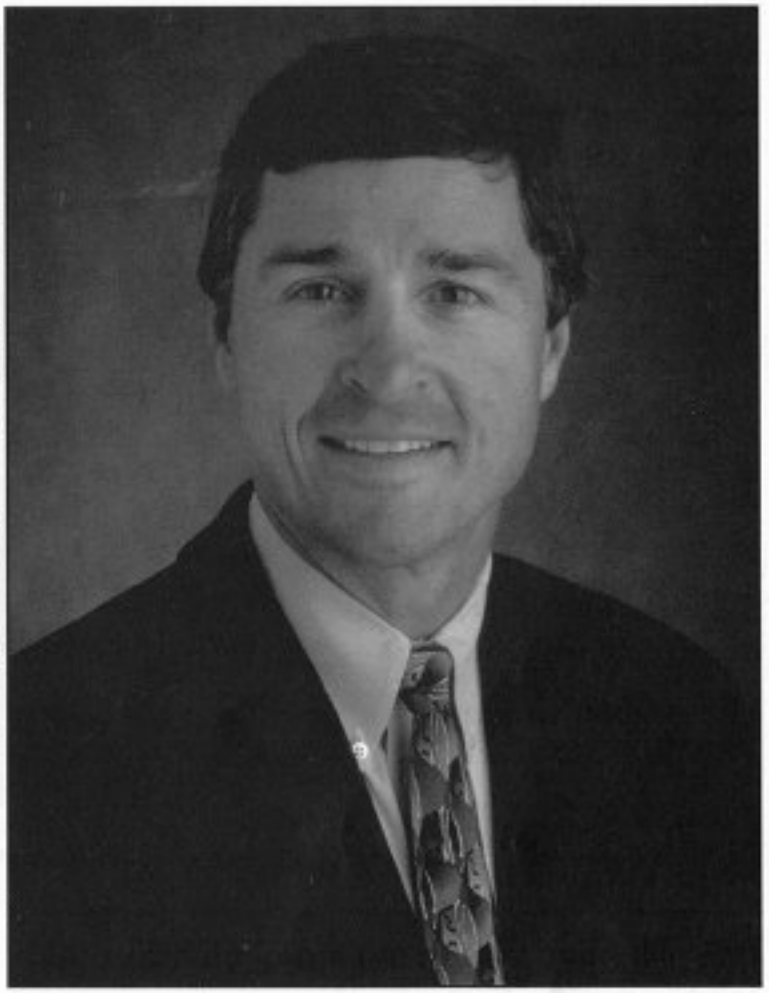
"The people I respect most in football, both college and professional, agreed that Walt Harris was the best all-around football coach that they have been around. It became apparent to me quickly that his expertise, work ethic and experience would be a key to accomplishing all the goals that we have set at the University of Pittsburgh."

—Athletic Director Steve Pederson

"I am very excited about the opportunity to rebuild the Pittsburgh Panthers to their rightful place among the elite football programs in the country," Harris said. "I understand this will take a tremendous amount of work and commitment by myself, our coaching staff and players, the administration, and the entire Pittsburgh community. However, I believe we have assembled a coaching staff that will dedicate itself to the success of Pitt football once again.

"I am extremely grateful to Steve Pederson and Chancellor [Mark] Nordenberg for this opportunity," Harris added. "We will work in earnest in recruiting, and we want to build by attracting to the University of Pittsburgh the outstanding football prospects in Western Pennsylvania and other great players around the country."

"From the day the search began, Walt Harris was at the top of a very short list of candidates," Pederson said. "The people I respect most in football, both college and professional, agreed that Walt Harris was the best all-around football coach



that they have been around. It became apparent to me quickly that his expertise, work ethic and experience would be a key to accomplishing all the goals that we have set at the University of Pittsburgh.

"Panther fans have had a first-hand view of the offensive fire power Walt has orchestrated at Ohio State the past two years," added Pederson. "They also had an opportunity to view first-hand in the 1997 Rose Bowl the magic Walt Harris will bring to the University of Pittsburgh football program."

Prior to joining the Ohio State staff in 1995, Harris was the quarterbacks coach for the New York Jets for three seasons (1992-94) and played a key role in the career resurgence of quarterback Boomer Esiason.

In 1989, Harris landed his first head coaching position, returning to his alma mater Pacific as the Tigers' head coach. In three rebuilding seasons, he compiled an 11-24 overall record. His 1991 Pacific team ranked second nationally in total offense (511.3 yards a game) and third nationally in passing offense (342.9 yards per game). Interestingly, Harris' first game as a head coach was against Pitt Sept. 2, 1989, at Pitt Stadium.

From 1983-88, Harris served as an assistant head coach and offensive coordinator at Tennessee—under Johnny Majors—during which time the Volunteers made five bowl appearances and captured one Southeastern Conference cham-

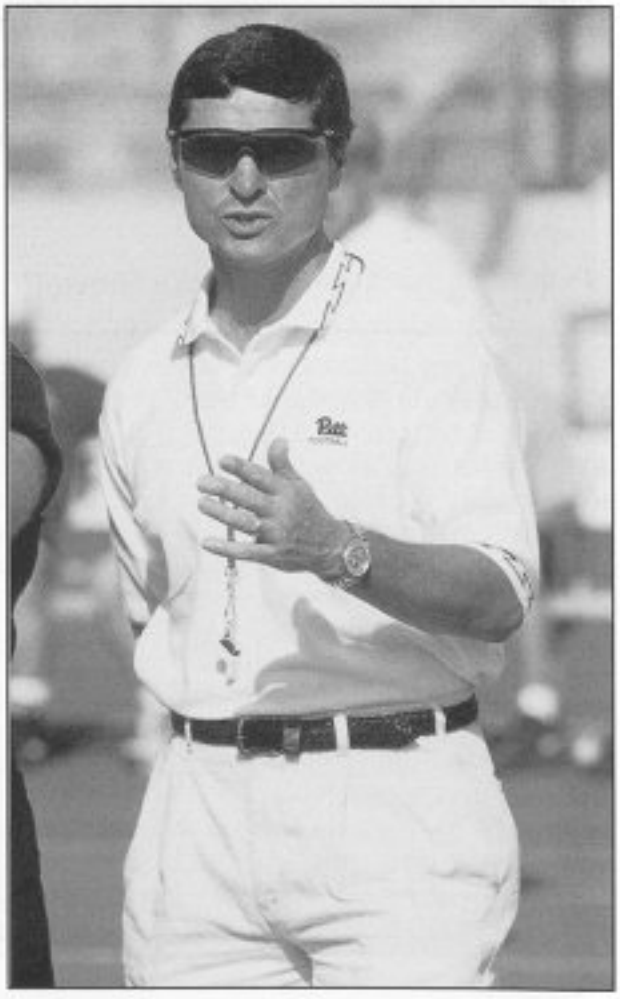
Walt Harris

pionship (1985). In 1987, the Vols averaged 405.9 yards a game (4,871 total), which set a school record at the time. Additionally, he was the quarterbacks coach at Illinois from 1980-1982, where he developed Illini standouts and future NFL quarterbacks Tony Eason, Dave Wilson and Jack Trudeau. Harris also was the secondary coach at Air Force (spring 1978) under current New York Jets Coach Bill Parcell; the linebackers coach at Michigan State (1978-79) and California (1974-77); and secondary coach at Pacific (1971-73), where his first recruit was Pete Carroll, who would later become head coach of the New York Jets and is now the head coach of the New England Patriots.

Harris graduated from Pacific in 1968 and received his master's degree from Pacific a year later. As a defensive back for the Tigers, Harris played for former NFL head coach Buddy Ryan, who was the defensive coordinator at the time. Harris began his coaching career at El Camino (Calif.) High School.

Born Nov. 9, 1946, in Modesto, Calif., but raised in South San Francisco, Harris is married to Nancy Barr Harris. The couple has three children: Scott (15), Summer (14) and Brett (born Sept. 17, 1996).

Walt Harris (center) was introduced as Pittsburgh's 33rd head football coach Dec. 16, 1996 by Chancellor Mark Nordenberg (far right) and Athletic Director Steve Pederson (far left).



Harris' Head Coaching Record

Year	School	W	L	T
1989	Pacific	2	10	0
1990	Pacific	4	7	0
1991	Pacific	5	7	0
1997	Pittsburgh	0	0	0
Overall Record		**11**	**24**	**0**

Walt Harris

The Harris Family

Pictured in front (l-r): Nancy, (holding Brett) and Scott. Back (l-r): Walt and Summer Harris.

The Harris File

Born: Nov. 9, 1946

High School Education: El Camino High School, South San Francisco, Calif.

College Education: University of the Pacific, 1968, Physical Education. Master of Arts, University of the Pacific, 1969.

High School Coaching Career: El Camino, head coach, 1970.

College Coaching Career: Pacific, 1971-73, secondary coach; California, 1974-77, linebackers; Air Force, spring 1978, secondary coach; Michigan State, 1978-80, linebacker coach; Illinois, 1980-82, quarterbacks coach; Tennesse, 1983-88, assistant head coach and offensive coordinator; head coach, University of the Pacific, 1989-91; Ohio State, 1995-96, quarterbacks coach; Pittsburgh, 1997-Present, head coach.

Professional Coaching Career: New York Jets, 1992-94, quarterbacks coach.

Wife: Nancy Barr Harris

Children: Scott (born Aug. 15, 1981), Summer (born Aug. 31, 1982) and Brett (born Sept. 17, 1996).

Walt Harris

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING ABOUT WALT HARRIS...

PETE CARROLL, NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS HEAD COACH, ON WALT HARRIS:

"He is the best coach I've ever worked with. I'm thrilled that he has this opportunity. If anybody can turn the program around, it is Walt."

BRUCE COSLETT, CINCINNATI BENGALS HEAD COACH, ON WALT HARRIS:

"I've known Walt a long time since we were teammates at Pacific. He's a gifted and demanding coach who has always been on the cutting edge of offensive innovation. He laid a lot of the foundation in the development of Jeff Blake when we were together with the Jets."

BOOMER ESIASON, CINCINNATI BENGALS QUARTERBACK, ON WALT HARRIS:

"I have great respect and admiration for a man with the ability to communicate with young men. His knowledge of football revitalized my career. I owe him a great debt of gratitude. Pitt fans will be impressed with his offensive philosophy."

BOBBY HOYING, FORMER OHIO STATE ALL-AMERICAN AND CURRENT PHILADELPHIA EAGLES QUARTERBACK, ON WALT HARRIS:

"The University of Pittsburgh and its football fans should be thrilled to have a coach of Walt Harris' caliber. He's a tremendous teacher who taught me so much about offense and defense in the one season we were together. What he did to our offense was one of the reasons why we won as many games as we did. And, you could see it this past season, too. He's had two pretty good quarterbacks (to work with), but I think it's what he brought into the system that helped more than anything else. I strongly believe in him and I think he's going to do a fantastic job at Pitt."

NFL FIRST-ROUND DRAFT PICKS/ALL-AMERICANS COACHED BY HARRIS

Ryan Benjamin, All-Purpose Back
First-team All-American (1985/Pacific)
Tony Eason, Quarterback, New England Patriots
First-round selection (1983/Illinois)
Rickey Dudley, Tight End, Oakland Raiders
First-round selection (1996/Ohio State)
Clyde Duncan, Wide Receiver, St. Louis Rams
First-round selection (1984/Tennessee)
Terry Glenn, Wide Receiver, New England Patriots
First-team All-American (1995/Ohio State)
First-round selection (1996)
Eddie George, Running Back, Houston Oilers
First-team All-American (1995/Ohio State)
First-round selection (1996)
Alvin Haper, Wide Receiver, Dallas Cowboys
First-round selection (1991/Tennesee)
Bobby Hoying, Quarterback, Philadelphia Eagles
Third-team All-American (1995/Ohio State)
Tim McGee, Wide Receiver, Cincinnati Bengals
First-round selection (1985/Tennessee)
First-Team All-American
Anthony Miller, Wide Receiver, Dallas Cowboys
First-round selection (1988/Tennessee)
Orlando Pace, Offensive Lineman, St. Louis Rams
First-team All-American (1995 and 1996/Ohio State)
First-pick overall (1997)
Dave Wilson, Quarterback, New Orleans Saints
First-round selection (1982/Illinois)

Pittsburgh Head Football Coach Walt Harris has had a long association with Pete Carroll, head football coach of the New England Patriots, that dates back to the days when Carroll was recruited by Harris at Pacific. Harris even served as an assistant coach for Carroll, while Carroll was the head coach of the New York Jets.

Assistant Coaches

Larry Coyer

Defensive Coordinator/
Linebackers
Marshall, '64

Larry Coyer, the defensive coordinator and linebackers coach at Iowa State the past two years and a veteran coach of the National Football League, will serve as the Panthers' defensive coordinator this season.

Coyer has spent more than a quarter of a century devising defensive schemes at the major-college level and in professional football. Prior to his Iowa State appointment, Coyer served as the defensive line coach for the New York Jets for one season, where he worked with Pittsburgh Head Coach Walt Harris. He also spent two seasons coaching in the USFL; one year as the defensive coordinator for the Memphis Showboats in 1986 and as the linebacker coach for the Michigan Panthers from 1984-85.

Additionally, Coyer was the defensive coordinator at East Carolina in 1993, where under Coyer's guidance, the Pirates improved in virtually every defensive category. He also served as the defensive backs coach at Ohio State (1991-92), assistant head and defensive backs coach at Houston (1990), the linebackers coach at UCLA (1987-89), the defensive coordinator at Iowa State (1979-83), Oklahoma State (1978) and Iowa (1974-77), and the defensive backs coach at Bowling Green in 1973. He began his coaching career at his alma mater Marshall, where he served as the defensive coordinator from 1965-67.

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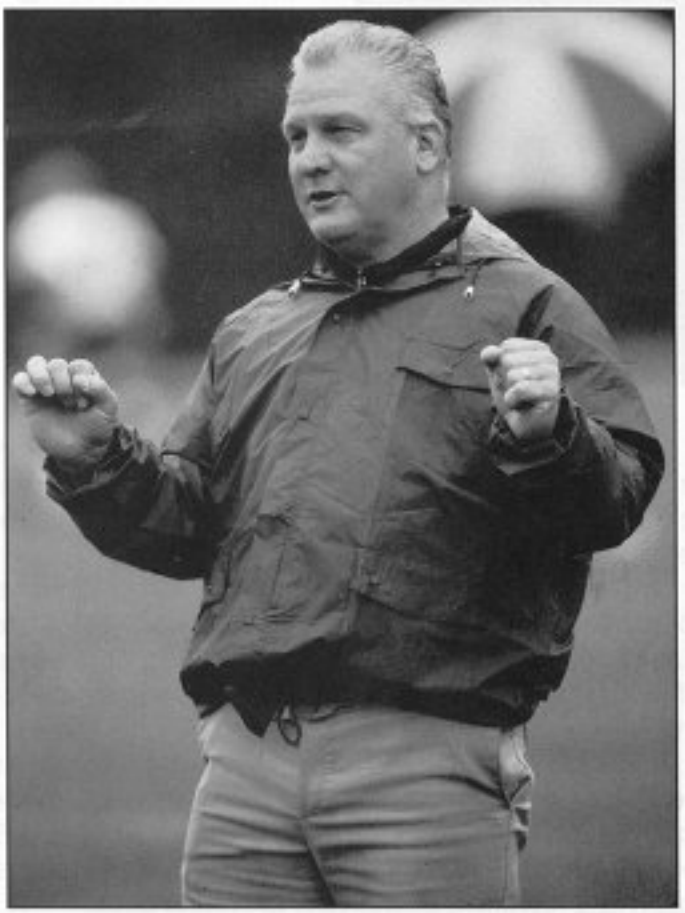
Personal Information

Born: 4/19/43. Hometown: Huntington, W.Va. Alma Mater: Marshall, '64. Marital Status: Single.



"I am extremely excited about being reunited with Larry Coyer, who I believe is one of the finest defensive coordinators in the country. I believe he will be a tremendous addition to our staff because of his varied experience and his great team attitude."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

College:

Marshall, 1965-67, defensive coordinator; Iowa, 1974-77, defensive coordinator; Oklahoma State, 1978, defensive coordinator; Iowa State, 1979-83, defensive coordinator; UCLA, 1987-89, linebackers coach; Houston, 1990, Assistant Head Coach, defensive backs; Ohio State, 1991-92, defensive backs; East Carolina, 1993, defensive coordinator; Iowa State, 1995-96, defensive coordinator.

Professional:

USFL Michigan Panthers, 1984-85, linebackers coach; USFL Memphis Showboats, 1986, defensive coordinator; New York Jets, 1994, defensive line.

Assistant Coaches

Steve Mooshagian

Offensive Coordinator/
Wide Receivers
Fresno State, '83

Steve Mooshagian was one of Head Coach Walt Harris' first appointments at Pittsburgh and is serving his first year as the Panthers' offensive coordinator and wide receivers coach.

Mooshagian spent the 1996 season as the offensive coordinator at Nevada-Reno, which defeated Ball State in the Las Vegas Bowl (18-15) and led the country in total offense (527 yards per game). Nevada also finished second in the country in passing yardage (355 per game).

Prior to Nevada, Mooshagian served one season as the head coach, offensive coordinator and quarterback coach at Fresno City College, where he posted a 5-5 record. He also spent 11 years as the wide receivers coach and recruiting coordinator at Fresno State.

During his tenure at Fresno State, he had a total of six wide receivers drafted by the NFL and nine of them earned All-Conference honors. He also served as a graduate assistant for one year (1982) at Fresno following graduation from there. He then accepted a head coaching position at Washington Union High School, where he spent one season and won one league title.

Mooshagian has been considered one of the top recruiters in the country by several publications. During his time as a recruiting coordinator at Fresno State, his recruiting classes were ranked as some of the top in the country.

As a collegian, Mooshagian was a two-year starting wide receiver for the Fresno State Bulldogs and totaled 36 receptions for 442 yards during his career.

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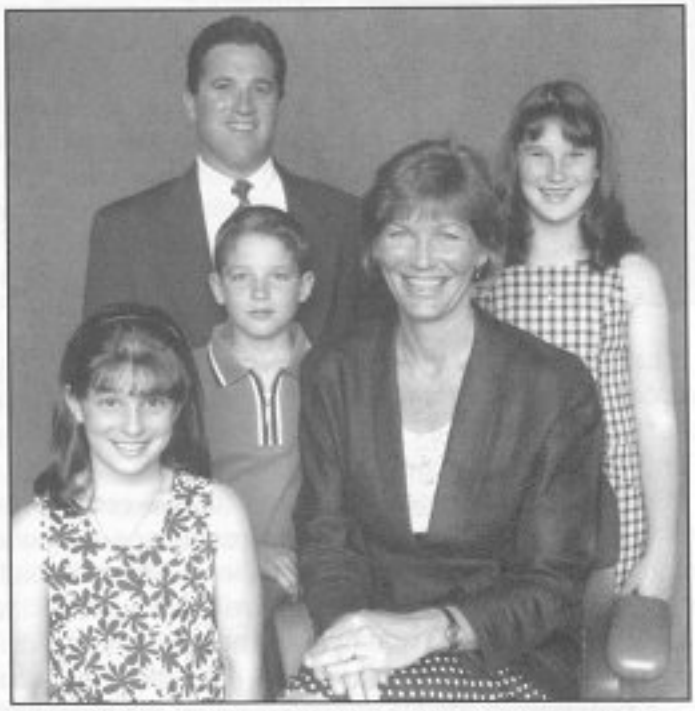
Personal Information

Born: 3/27/59. Hometown: Downey, Calif. Alma Mater: Fresno State, '83. He and his wife Rene have three children, Janaye, Robert and Danielle.

The Mooshagians



(Front, l-r) Danielle, Robert and Rene, (back row, l-r) Steve and Janaye Mooshagian.

"The offenses in which Steve has been involved have always been one of the most potent in the country. I believe he is one of the outstanding receivers coaches in college football and a top notch recruiter. The Pittsburgh Panther fans will enjoy watching the results of Steve Mooshagian's hard work and expertise."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

High School:
Washington Union High School, 1983, assistant coach; Washington Union High School, 1984, Head Coach.

College:
Fresno State, 1982, graduate assistant; Fresno State, 1985-94, wide receivers, recruiting coordinator; Fresno City College, 1995, Head Coach, offensive coordinator, quarterback coach; Nevada-Reno, 1996, offensive coordinator.

Assistant Coaches

J.D. Brookhart

Tight Ends/
Special Teams Assistant
Colorado State, '88

Head Coach Walt Harris tapped into the National Football League when he named J.D. Brookhart as tight ends coach for the Panthers. He also will assist Brian Williams with the special teams.

Brookhart was a coaching assistant for the Denver Broncos the past two years. There, he was primary responsibilities included running the defense scout team, breaking down the offense opponents and working with special teams. In his first year, he closely worked with Bronco Offensive Coordinator Gary Kubiak learning the "West Coast" offense.

Prior to his position with the Broncos, Brookhart was a top salesman for Xerox Corporation and earned the company's President's Club award and was the top salesman for 16 consecutive months in a 10-state region. Additionally, he operated a speed camp for local high school athletes for several years.

Brookhart was a standout receiver at Colorado State, where he was a three-year starter for the Rams. He earned Academic All-America honors his senior season and finished his career in sixth place on the Rams' all-time receiving list with 111 receptions. He began his collegiate career at Brigham Young in 1983, where he was a teammate of All-Pro Steve Young, before transferring to CSU. He signed a free-agent contract with the Los Angeles Rams in 1988.

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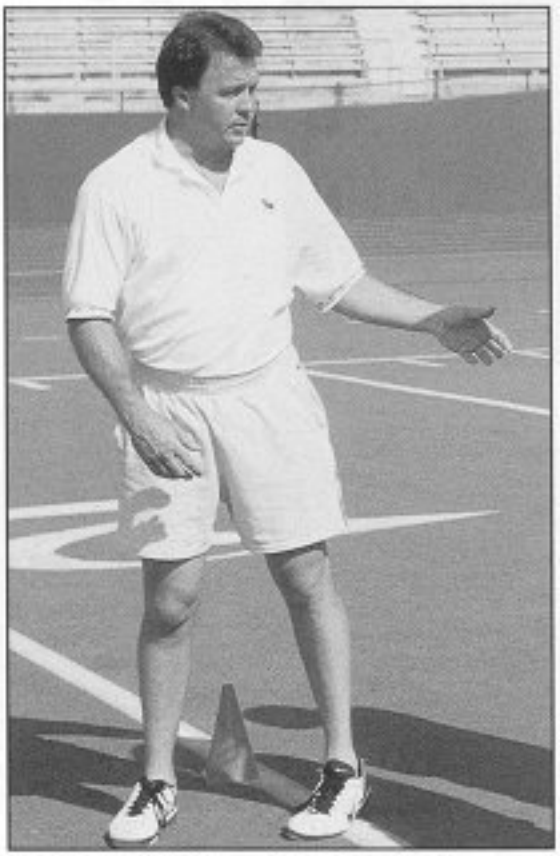
Personal Information

Born: 10/17/64. Hometown: Pueblo, Colo. Alma mater: Colorado State '88. Marital Status: Single.



"J.D. Brookhart gives our football staff an immediate injection of youthfulness and enthusiasm. Not only does he have an outstanding football background, J.D. has the intelligence to have earned the top salesman award in one of the top corporations in the country. He is a relentless worker and a very knowledgeable football man."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

Professional:

NFL's Denver Broncos, 1995-96, Offensive/Defensive Assistant.

Assistant Coaches

Curt Cignetti

Recruiting Coordinator/
Quarterbacks
West Virginia, '82

Curt Cignetti returns for his fifth season on the Pittsburgh Panther football staff.

Cignetti joined the Panthers' staff in 1993 as recruiting coordinator. He assumed additional duties coaching the tight ends the following season. The Panthers' recruiting classes have improved significantly since placed under Cignetti's supervision. Last year's class was ranked among the Top 20 in the country by several recruiting services. Of Pitt's 16 freshmen who were eligible for competition in 1996, nine of them played significant roles for the Panthers. Three of the freshman, defensive tackle Demond Gibson, offensive guard Brian Minehart, who has since left the team, and strong safety Seth Hornack were starters.

Previously, Cignetti worked at Pittsburgh as a graduate assistant under Foge Fazio in 1983 and 1984. The 1983 Pitt team finished with an 8-3-1 record and participated in the Fiesta Bowl.

Cignetti left Pittsburgh prior to the 1985 season to coach the quarterbacks at Davidson College. He then moved on to join Jerry Berndt's staff in the same capacity at Rice University, where he coached for three seasons. In 1989, Cignetti joined Berndt's staff at Temple and coached the quarterbacks for four seasons, through 1992, before accepting former Pittsburgh Head Coach John Majors' offer to return to Pitt as recruiting coordinator.

A two-year letterman at West Virginia, Cignetti was a member of two consecutive bowl teams — the 1981 Peach and the 1982 Gator — and earned the Lewis D. Meisel Award for academics and the A.C. Whitey Gwynn Award for character.

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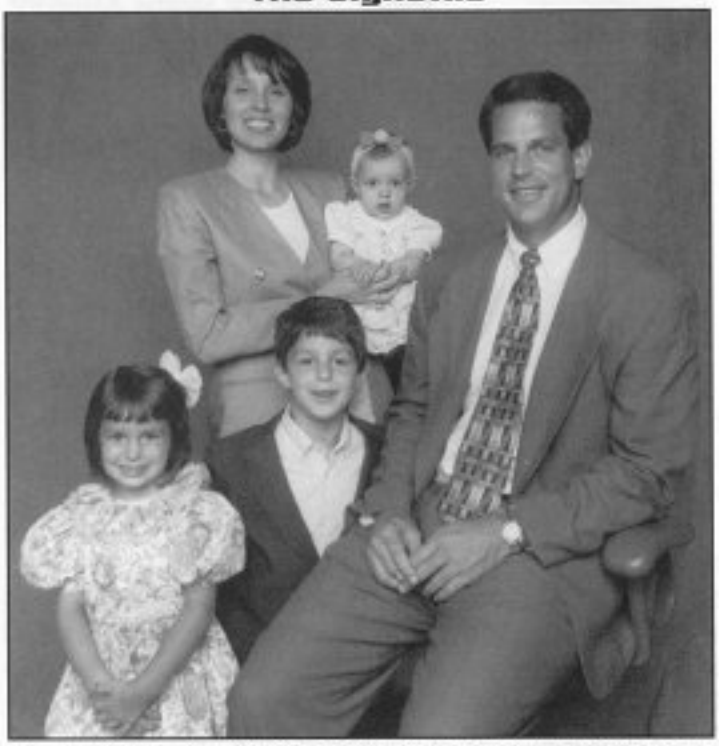
Personal Information

Born: 6/2/61. Hometown: Pittsburgh, Pa. Alma Mater: West Virginia '82. Married to the former Manette Lawer, and his the father of Curtis John Jr., Carly Ann and Natalie.

The Cignettis



(Front, l-r) Carly Ann, Curtis Jr., Curt, (back, l-r) Manette and Natalie Cignetti.

"Curt has demonstrated to be a very effective recruiter and the connections he has developed over the past five years in Western Pa. and the rest of the country as recruiting coordinator will be a great asset to our staff."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

College:

Pittsburgh, 1983-84, graduate assistant; Davidson, 1985, quarterbacks and receivers; Rice, 1986-88, quarterbacks; Temple, 1989-92, quarterbacks; Pittsburgh, 1993, recruiting coordinator; Pittsburgh, 1994-present, tight ends, 1996, recruiting coordinator/quarterbacks.

Assistant Coaches

Tom Freeman

Offensive Line
San Diego State, '69

Tom Freeman, a veteran collegiate coach, has spent more than 25 years coaching offensive lines for some of the highest-ranked offensive teams in the country.

Prior to being appointed by Coach Walt Harris, Freeman spent the previous five seasons at Purdue. At Purdue, his offensive lines helped pave the way for Purdue's all-time rushing leader Mike Alstott, who compiled consecutive 1,000-yard seasons in 1994 and 1995. In 1995, the Boilermakers finished first in the Big Ten in rushing (233.4 per game) and eighth in the nation. Purdue had the 12th-best rushing offense in the country in 1994.

Prior to his Purdue appointment, Freeman served as the offensive line coach at Arizona State for eight seasons from 1984-1991, where he helped develop current All-Pro offensive guard Randall McDaniel (a two-time All-American) and offensive guard Todd Kalis (a fourth-round NFL Draft pick in 1987). The Sun Devils rushed for nearly 200 yards a game in 1987 (190.8 per game). He also was offensive line coach at San Diego State (1981-83), Hawaii (1975-80), San Diego City College (1974) and Santa Ana College (1970-73).

A native of Bakersfield, Calif., Freeman earned his bachelor's degree in liberal studies from San Diego State in 1969. As a collegian, Freeman began his career at San Diego City College and played on a pair of conference championship teams. He later went on to play center and tackle at San Diego State, which won back-to-back national titles in 1967 and 1968, while compiling a cumulative 19-1-1 record.

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Personal Information

Born: 12/28/46. Hometown: Bakersfield, Calif. Alma Mater: San Diego State, '69. Tom and his wife Joanne have three daughters: Anna, Emily and Laura.

The Freemans

Anna, Emily, Joanne, Laura and (front) Tom Freeman.

"Tom Freeman brings a real sense of maturity to our staff. He has the ability to teach linemen to be physical and hard-nosed when we run the ball, and has a lot of expertise in the area of protecting the quarterback. We are very excited having an offensive line coach with as much knowledge and expertise as Tom Freeman."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

College:

San Diego State, 1969, graduate assistant; Santa Ana College, 1970-73, offensive line; San Diego City College, 1974, offensive line; Hawaii, 1975-80, offensive line; San Diego State, 1981-83, offensive line; Arizona State University, 1984-91, offensive line; Purdue, 1992-96, offensive line.

Assistant Coaches

Bob Junko

Defensive Tackles
Tulsa, '69

Bob Junko joins the Panther football staff this season as a defensive line coach and brings with him a wealth of Division I coaching experience.

Most recently, Junko was the defensive coordinator at Kent State for the 1995 and 1996 seasons. Prior to his Kent State appointment, Junko served as the associate head coach and defensive coordinator for seven years at the University of Akron. Junko held similar positions at Northwestern, Texas Christian and his alma mater Tulsa.

Junko is very familiar, though, with Pittsburgh. Beginning his second tour on the Panther coaching staff, he served as the defensive coordinator under former Panther Head Coach Foge Fazio from 1982-85. The 1982 and 1983 Pittsburgh teams participated in the Cotton and Fiesta bowls, respectively.

As a collegian, Junko starred at the University of Tulsa as an inside linebacker and received honorable mention All-America honors in 1967. He also was named to the All-Missouri Valley Conference team twice and served as team captain as a senior. Junko earned a bachelor's degree in history education in 1968 and his master's in educational administration in 1970 at Tulsa.

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Personal Information

Born: 7/4/46. Hometown: Washington, PA. Alma Mater: Tulsa, '68. He and his wife Judy have three sons, Jeff, Mike and Jay.

The Junkos

(Back, l-r) Mike, Jay, Judy and Bob Junko (front). Missing from photo was Jeff Junko.

"We are extremely excited about having someone with as much football coaching experience, ties to the University of Pittsburgh and familiarity with recruiting in Western Pennsylvania as Bob Junko. We are looking forward to Bob making a very strong impact in our program with his work with our defensive line and recruiting in Western Pennsylvania."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

College:

Tulsa, 1968, graduate assistant, 1969, freshman coach, 1970-74, linebacker coach, 1975-76, defensive coordinator; Texas Christian University, 1976-82, defensive coordinator, 1979-82, assistant head coach; Pittsburgh, 1982-85, defensive coordinator/linebackers; Northwestern, 1986-88, defensive coordinator; University of Akron, 1988-94, associate head coach/defensive coordinator; Kent State, 1995-96, defensive coordinator, linebackers.

Assistant Coaches

Bill McGovern

Defensive Backs
Holy Cross, '85

Bill McGovern served the past three seasons at Boston College, where he was the defensive secondary coach his first two years and was promoted to interim defensive coordinator midway through the 1995 season. Last year, McGovern coached the cornerbacks.

Prior to his Boston College appointment, McGovern served as the defensive coordinator and kicking game coordinator at Massachusetts —his second tour there— for two seasons (1992-93). During those two years, UMass was ranked first and second in the conference in total defense and second in the nation in that category in 1992. He also was an assistant coach at his alma mater Holy Cross (1986-87 and 1991-92), where he coached the defensive secondary and kickers. In addition he served as an assistant coach at Massachusetts (1987-91) and Pennsylvania (1985), where he was the freshman coach.

As a collegian, McGovern was a consensus first-team Division 1-AA All-America defensive back at Holy Cross and led the nation with 11 pass interceptions during his senior year, which established a 1-AA single-season record. He also set a 1-AA record with 24 career interceptions.

Elected to the Holy Cross Hall of Fame in 1996, McGovern also was nominated for the inaugural induction class to the College Football Hall of Fame (Collegiate Division).

A 1985 Holy Cross graduate, McGovern was a four-year starter for the Crusaders and twice earned All-East honors. His brother Jim McGovern is a professional on the PGA Tour. Another brother, Rob, played four years in the NFL, including Chuck Noll's final year with the Pittsburgh Steelers.

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Personal Information

Born: 12/31/62. Hometown:Oradell, NJ. Alma Mater: Holy Cross, '85. Bill is single and has a six- year-old daughter, Amanda.

The McGoverns

Bill McGovern and his daughter Amanda

"Bill's expertise and recruiting abilities as well as his familiarity with the Big East Football Conference will be outstanding assets to our staff. Bill McGovern is an extremely bright and energetic coach, who will make a big impact with our secondary."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

College:

Pennsylvania, 1985, freshman coach; Massachusetts, 1987-91, defensive secondary; Holy Cross, 1986-87 and 1991-92, defensive secondary and kickers; Massachusetts, 1992-93, defensive coordinator and kicking game coordinator; Boston College, 1994-96, defensive secondary and interim defensive coordinator (1995).

Assistant Coaches

Vincent White

Running Backs
Stanford '84

A former college and professional receiver, Vincent White offers both playing and coaching experience as he begins his first season as the Panthers' running backs coach.

White, who was named to Head Coach Walt Harris' staff last January, spent the 1993 season as receivers coach at Southern Methodist University. He joined the Maryland staff in 1994 as a receivers coach and then returned to SMU for the 1995 and 1996 seasons.

Prior to SMU, White worked under Harris at the University of the Pacific as a passing game coordinator and inside receivers coach. He also held positions at Tennessee-Martin (1989), Oregon Tech (1986-88), and the Denver Dynamite of the AFL (1987). White began his coaching career as a running backs coach at Rangeview High School in 1985.

White was a distinguished player. He is considered by many to be one of the finest high school running backs in Colorado history, leading Mullen High School in Denver to a state championship in 1978.

White then moved to wide receiver at Stanford and emerged as an outstanding prospect, leading the nation in receiving his senior year (1982) with 6.8 receptions per game. He was also named first-team All-PAC 10, All-West Coast, honorable mention All-America and Academic All-America. He was also invited to play at the East-West Shrine Game.

White was a sixth-round draft choice of the New York Jets, but he passed up the NFL to play for the Denver Gold of the USFL from 1983-85.

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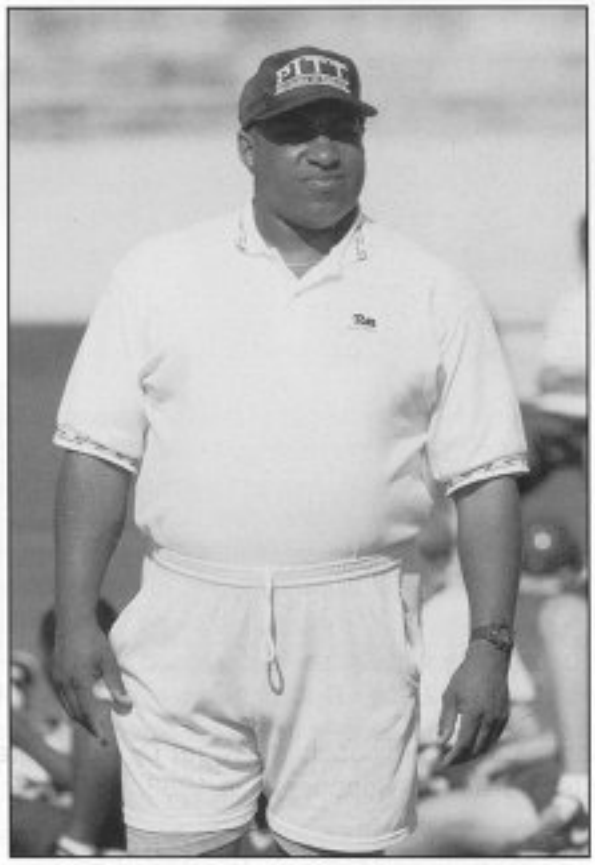
Personal Information

Born:8/26/61. Hometown: Denver, Colo. Alma Mater: Stanford, '84. Marital Status: White is single.



"Vincent is an outstanding football coach with an excellent football background. This is Vincent's second coaching stint on our staff, and we are very proud that we are back together. He will be a tremendous example for our runnng backs as he had an outstanding career as a running back at Stanford."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

High School:
Rangeview High, Colo., 1985, running backs.

College:
Oregon Tech, 1986-88, offensive coordinator; Tennessee-Martin, 1989, offensive coordinator; University of the Pacific, 1990-92, (passing game coordinator, inside receivers, 1990-91), (offensive coordinator, 1992); Southern Methodist, 1993, receivers; Maryland, 1994, receivers coach; Southern Methodist, 1995-96, receivers.

Professional:
Denver Dynamite (Arena Football League), 1987, assistant coach.

Assistant Coaches

Brian Williams

Defensive Ends/
Special Teams Coordinator

Brian Williams returned to the Panthers' staff this past January as linebackers coach after a five-year absence. He also will coordinate Pittsburgh's special teams.

A member of the Pitt football staff during the 1992 season as the outside linebackers coach, Williams became the inside linebackers coach at Fresno State for the 1993 and 1994 seasons and was promoted to linebackers coach in 1995. In 1995, Fresno State was invited to play in the Aloha Bowl.

Williams started his coaching career by working as a graduate assistant at Tennessee in 1988. Following his season at Tennessee, Williams joined the staff at the University of the Pacific (1989-91) as outside linebackers and special teams coach, where he worked under Walt Harris. In 1992, he then joined the Panther staff and spent two seasons before returning to the west coast.

Williams was a standout player at Kentucky. He was a four-year starter on defense and ranks ninth in Wildcat history with 350 career tackles. As a senior in 1985, he was a second-team All-Southeastern Conference selection and was an Academic All-SEC honoree in 1984. Williams was voted the team's Most Valuable Senior in 1985, and the outstanding lineman his junior and senior years. He graduated from Kentucky in 1986 with a bachelor's degree in accounting.

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Personal Information

Born: 10/18/64. Hometown: Middlesboro, KY. Alma Mater: Kentucky, '86. Brian and his wife Kathy have one son, Bryson (2).

The Williamses

(Left to right) Kathy, Bryson and Brian Williams

"Brian is one of the outstanding young defensive coaches in college football. He has tremendous enthusiasm on the field and is an outstanding evaluator and recruiter. This is Brian's second coaching stint with us and we could not be happier that he is back on our staff."

—Walt Harris

Coaching Experience

College:

Tennessee, 1988, graduate assistant; Pacific, 1989-91, outside linebackers, special teams; Pittsburgh, 1992, outside linebackers; Fresno State, 1993-95, linebackers; Cincinnati, 1996, linebackers.

Football Staff

Chris LaSala

Director of Football Operations
West Virginia, '88

Aliquippa native Chris LaSala returns to Pittsburgh and will serve as the director of football operations.

LaSala, who served as an intern in the Pittsburgh athletic department in 1989, brings a wealth of administrative experience to the Pittsburgh football program. He served the past three years as the director of football operations at Boston College, where he handled all the administrative duties for the football program, including overseeing all the travel arrangements for away games and organizing the Eagles' youth camps and clinics.

Prior to his Boston College appointment, LaSala spent the previous three years as the assistant athletic director for football operations and recruiting coordinator at Temple University. He initially joined the Temple staff as a graduate assistant in 1988 and then worked as an intern at Pittsburgh in 1989. LaSala returned to the Owls' football staff in 1990 as the administrative assistant before and was promoted the following year to recruiting coordinator. He eventually was elevated to assistant athletic director.

LaSala graduated from West Virginia in 1988 with a bachelor's degree in accounting. He earned his master's degree in sports administration from Temple in 1991.

A graduate of Aliquippa High School, LaSala was a three-year letterman for the Quip football team and was a two-year captain for the Aliquippa baseball team. LaSala also served as an offensive assistant coach for the Quips in 1989, when the team captured a WPIAL championship.

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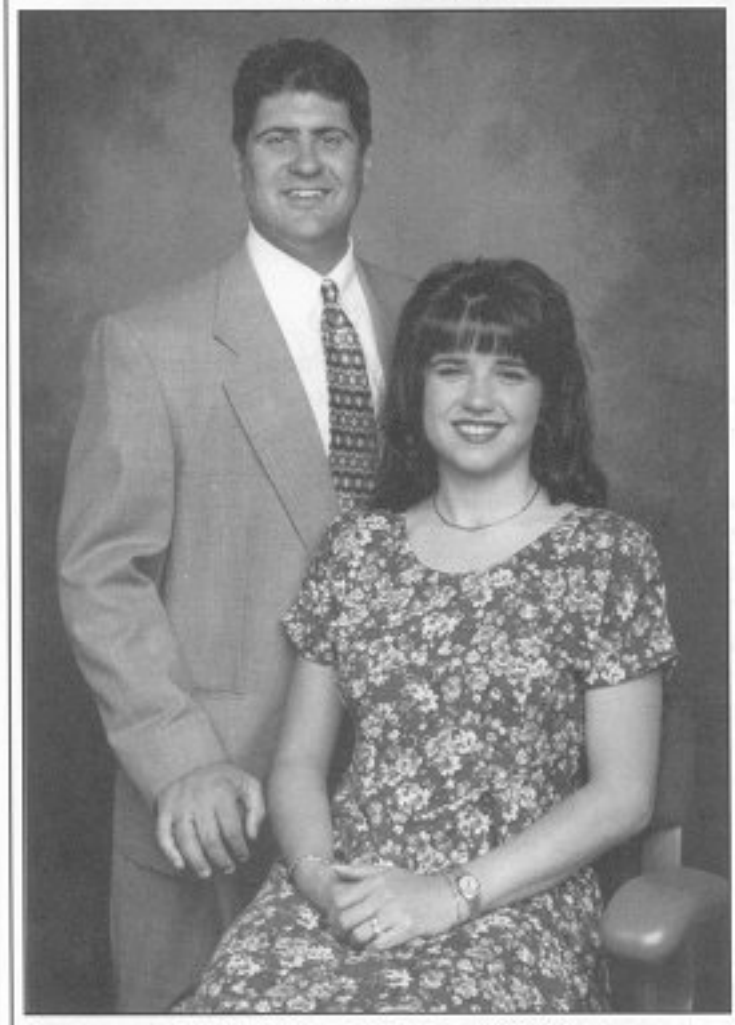
Personal Information

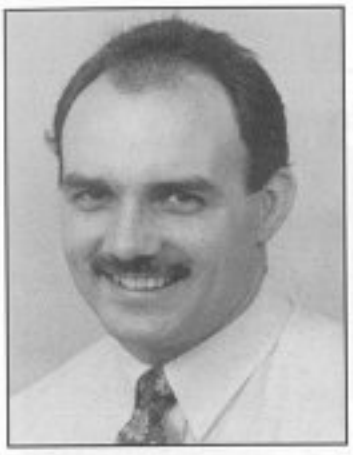
Born: 1/7/66. Hometown: Aliquippa, Pa. Alma Mater: West Virginia '88. LaSala is married to Dana Kristian.

The LaSalas



Chris and Dana LaSala

Football Staff



Buddy Morris

Strength and Conditioning Coach
Pittsburgh, '80

Buddy Morris, the Pittsburgh strength and conditioning coach who was credited with the physical development of some of the Panthers' most celebrated players who continued to star in the National Football League, returned to the Pittsburgh Athletic Department this past December as head strength and conditioning coach.

Morris most recently served as the wellness director for Horizon Hospital System in Sharon, Pa., where he coordinated the sports medicine program. Prior to that, had served as the Panthers' strength coordinator for 10 seasons from 1980-89.

During Morris' first tour at Pittsburgh, he helped train many of the Panthers' most prominent football players who went on to All-Pro NFL careers, including Jimbo Covert, Russ Grimm, Dan Marino, Bill Fralic, Jerry Olsavsky and Mark Stepnoski. He also was instrumental in preparing current NFL stars Curtis Martin and Ruben Brown, who retained Morris as their personal strength coach following their final Pitt seasons. In addition, he helped create the nickname of Pitt's weightroom, "The Pitt Iron Works," and establish a tradition of weight training that was considered one of the best programs in the country.

Morris graduated from South Park High School and attended Indiana State for one year before transferring to Pittsburgh. He ran track for the Panthers and was a letterman from 1977-80. A devoted weightlifter, Morris won the 1989 Three Rivers Bodybuilding Championship.

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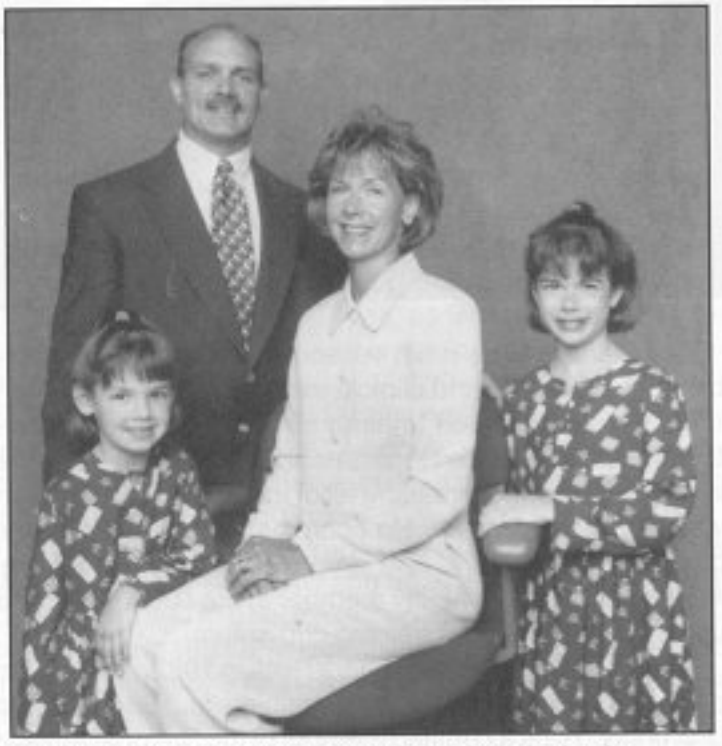
Personal Information

Born: 9/29/57. Hometown: South Park, Pa. Alma Mater: Pittsburgh '80. Morris and his Karen Krichko, a former Pitt high jumper, have two daughters, Kara Leigh and Claire Alysse.

The Morrises



(Left to right) Claire, Karen, Kara and Buddy Morris (back)

"A strength and conditioning coach has the opportunity to affect your footbal team more than any other coach on your staff. A dynamite strength coach can be the most dominant and contributing make-a-difference coach on our staff. I know Steve Pederson and myself are truly indebted to the true Pitt supporters who recommended Buddy to us. Buddy's system, his style, repertoire, motivational skills and expertise will help us become an even stronger football program."

—Walt Harris

Football Staff

Rob Blanc

Head Athletic Trainer

Rob Blanc is in his ninth season as Panthers' head football athletic trainer and clinical instructor.

Blanc was promoted to head athletic trainer for the entire Pittsburgh Athletic Department in 1993. In this role, he is responsible for overseeing all of the clinical medical services for the University. He coordinates sports coverage, budget and inventory, and drug testing and counseling. Additionally, he is a faculty member in the NATA-approved undergraduate athletic training curriculum.

Blanc graduated from Slippery Rock in 1982, and earned a master's degree in athletic training in 1984 at Ohio University. He is a certified member of the National Athletic Trainers Association. He also is a certified peramedic and works part-time in that capacity in nearby Bethel Park.

A native of Pittsburgh, Blanc served as head athletic trainer at nearby Duquesne University for two years prior to joining the Pittsburgh staff. Blanc began his training career as the head athletic trainer at New Lexington (Ohio) High School in 1983. A year later, he began working for the Pittsburgh Steelers on a part-time basis. In that capacity, Blanc worked at training camp and at home games in all aspects of sports medicine.

Blanc, 37, and his wife Margie reside in Whitehall. The couple have three children, Jason (7), Jordan (5) and Shannon Marie (2).

The Blancs

(Left to right) Jordan, Rob, Shannon, Margie and Jason Blanc

Football Staff

Jeff Jordan

Graduate Assistant
California Polytech State University-San Luis Obispo, '92

Jeff Jordan begins his first season on the Pittsburgh football staff as a graduate assistant. His main responsibility will be on defense, working specifically with the strong safeties and weakside linebackers.

Jordan comes to Pittsburgh from Chico State University, where he was the defensive coordinator for the 1995-96 season and the defensive backfield coach during the 1993-94 season. Jordan helped lead the 1993, '94, and '96 Chico State teams to Northern California Athletic Conference Championship titles.

Prior to his positions at Chico State, Jordan was a graduate assistant in charge of safeties at his alma mater, California Polytech at San Luis Obispo (1992). As a player, Jordan was a strong safety at California Polytech for the 1990-91 seasons and a member of the 1990 Western Conference Championship team. Jordan also played at San Joaquin Delta Community College as a strong safety from 1987-88.

Brian Callahan

Graduate Assistant
Eastern Illinois '92

Brian Callahan is in his second year serving as a graduate assistant on the Pittsburgh football coaching staff. His primary duties will be on offense and assisting with the offensive line.

Prior to his Pittsburgh appointment, Callahan served the previous two seasons with former Head Coach Howard Schnellenberger, one season each at Louisville (1994) and Oklahoma (1995). Additionally, he served as the tight ends and offensive line coach at his alma mater Eastern Illinois University for one season (1993).

A 1992 graduate of Eastern Illinois with a degree in history, Callahan was a three-year letterman at offensive tackle and helped lead the Panthers to a 9-3 record in 1989 and advance to the finals of quarterfinals of the NCAA Division 1-AA playoffs. During his senior campaign, Callahan was selected to the Gateway All-Conference team. He was also a two-time member of the league's academic honor roll.

Kevin Conley

Assistant Athletic Trainer

Kevin Conley begins his fifth season as assistant athletic trainer for the Pitt football team. His responsibilities include assisting Head Athletic Trainer Rob Blanc in all areas of football coverage, as well as assisting in the supervision of the student trainers.

In addition to his clinical assignments, Conley is a faculty member in Pittsburgh's NATA-approved undergraduate program, providing classroom instruction to students enrolled in the sports medicine curriculum.

A native of Troy, New York, Conley received a bachelor's degree in health education and athletic training from SUNY Cortland in 1990 and his master's degree in exercise physiology from Pitt in 1993. Prior to Pittsburgh, Conley was the head trainer at Cazenovia High School in Syracuse, New York. He is a certified member of the National Athletic Trainers Association.

Marc Kostek

Assistant Strength and Conditioning Coach

Marc Kostek is in his second season as the assistant strength and conditioning coach for the Panther football team, but he has served a few different roles since first arriving at Pittsburgh in May of 1995.

Kostek began his tenure at Pittsburgh as an intern for the Panther football team. He was promoted to assistant strength coach for varsity sports in September of 1995 and then rejoined the football staff in January 1996 as the assistant strength and conditioning coach.

A 1990 graduate of Clarion University, Kostek received his bachelor's degree in accounting. He also earned a bachelor's degree in exercise physiology from Slippery Rock in 1995.

Kostek is a Pittsburgh area native and graduated from nearby Baldwin High School. He and his wife Jodi have one daughter, Emily.

Football Staff

Tim Enright

Head Football Equipment Manager

Tim Enright is in his first season as the head equipment manager for the Panther football team, but his association with the University of Pittsburgh goes much further.

Enright was an undergraduate at Pittsburgh and also served as a student manager. He was the head student equipment manager during his senior year in 1990-91.

Following graduation in 1991, Enright worked one year at Martin Media Advertising, before serving a year as a youth counselor at the Shuman Detention Center. He returned to his alma mater in 1993 as an assistant equipment manager, where his main responsibility was handling the men's basketball team.

Enright was promoted to his current position by Athletic Director Steve Pederson this past April. In his role, he supervises the equipment operation for the football team, including organizing travel and transportation of equipment for away football games and fall camp, and handling the day-to-day equipment needs for the football team and coaching staff.

Ken Bashioum

Volunteer Assistant for Athletic Director and Head Football Coach

Ken Bashioum begins his 24th season as a volunteer assistant for Pittsburgh's athletic department.

Through the years, Bashioum has served for four athletic directors and seven head football coaches.

A native Pittsburgher, Bashioum's familiarity of the Pittsburgh area has been a valuable resource for coaches and athletic administration.

Bashioum was married for 50 years to the late Mary Bashioum. He has three sons, Kenny, Lester and Charles.

Football Support Staff

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Joyce Salsbury
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Lynnie Koontz
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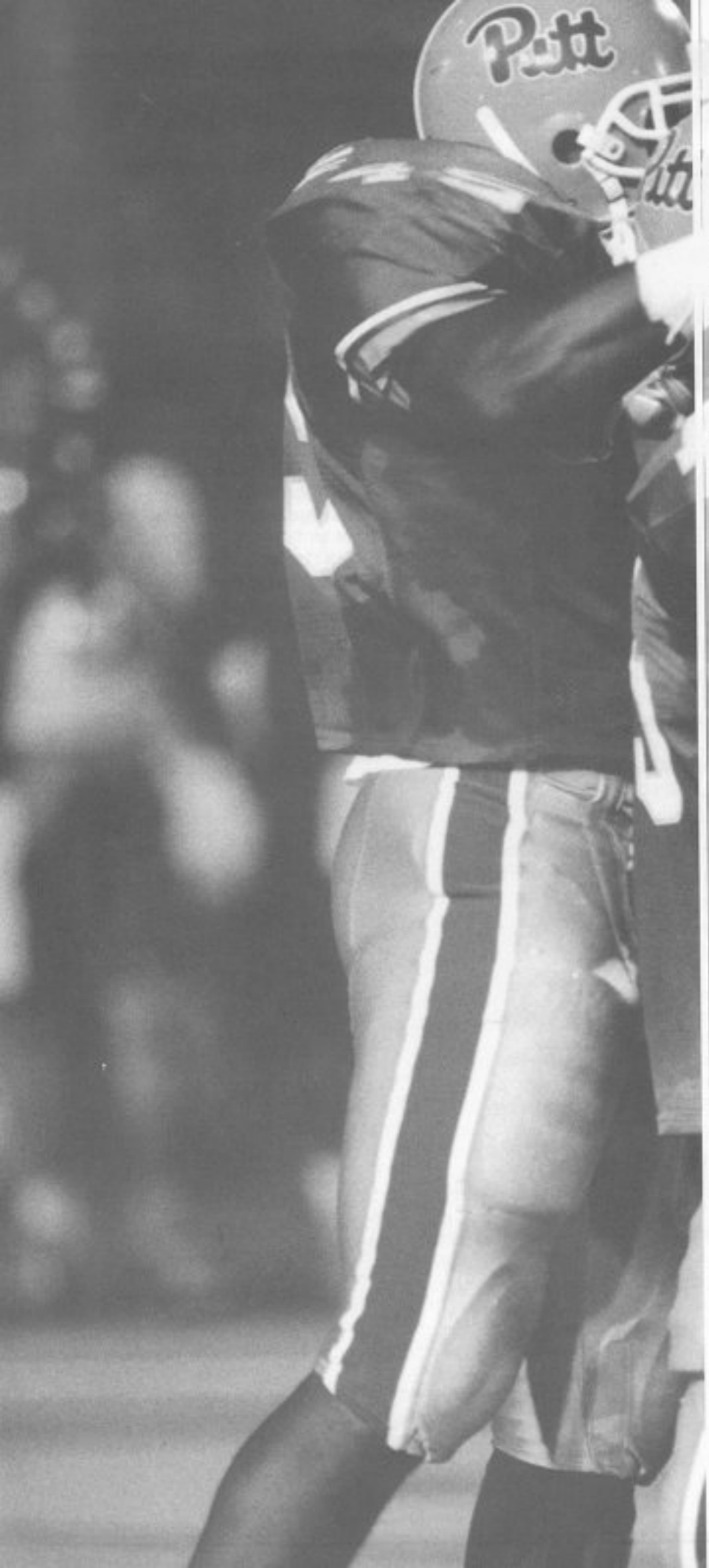

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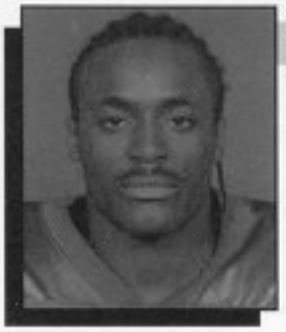

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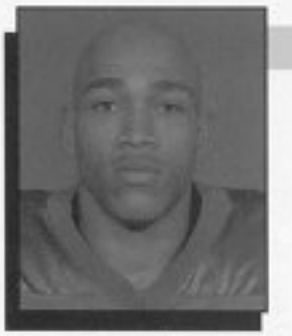
Chiffon Allen

Sophomore
DB/5-10/165
Passaic, N.J.

A highly regarded receiving prospect out of high school, Allen was switched to cornerback this past spring and emerged as one of Pittsburgh's top defensive backs...sat out from active duty last season because of NCAA requirements but practiced with the team...has three years of eligibility remaining...has outstanding speed...was selected to the 1996-97 Bell Atlantic Scholar Athlete team for achieving a grade-point average of at least 3.0 in either the spring (1996) or fall (1997) semester. **High School:** Was rated as one of the top 10 players in the state of New Jersey by *SuperPrep Magazine*...was rated as the fifth-ranked wide receiver in the All-Eastern Region by *BlueChip Illustrated*...selected first-team All-County...caught 20 passes his senior year at Passaic High School, the same high school as former Pitt star Craig Heyward...set school records for yards per reception in a season (31.4 avg.) and career (27.2 avg.)...rated the No. 3 defensive back in the East and named High School All-American by *The National Recruiting Advisor*...high jumped 6-10 as a junior...was a four-year letterman in football for Coach Frank Pratko...also received four letters in track and field...was an honor roll student. **Personal:** Allen has one brother...nicknamed "Chiffy"...Chiffon Bubbie Allen, born 7/26/77, is the son of Ernestine Robinson.



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Cheo Angel

Freshman
WR/5-10/190
Sacremento, Calif.

Angel enolled at Pittsburgh this past January and will be expected to help fortify a very thin receiving corps...is a solid receiving prospect with good speed and size...will have four years of eligibility...could also compete for kick return duties...had limited practice time this spring because of hamstring injuries to both legs...should be 100 percent for fall camp. **High School:** Earned three letters at Elk Grove High School...set school return records in both kickoff and punt returns...accumulated 1,644 in receiving yards during his career and had 112 career receptions...caught 64 passes for 1,068 yards during his senior campaign...was a three-year All-League performer and was named All-State his senior year...earned three football letters. **Personal:** Angel has one sister...Cheo T. Angel, born 9/9/77, is the son of Myron and Yvette Angel.

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Creg Bethea

Freshman*
RB/5-10/200
Jersey City, N.J.

Bethea returns for his first active season with the Panthers in 1997 after sitting out the 1996 campaign as a freshman redshirt...is a highly regarded prospect with outstanding power...was moved to fullback during spring drills because of the dearth of healthy players at that position...could begin fall camp at fullback but is also capable of playing halfback...rushed for 14 yards and a touchdown on two carries in the Panthers' Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring. **High School:** Was an All-State running back during his senior year at Marist High School...rushed for 1,400 yards and 16 TDs during his senior campaign...ran the 100-meter dash in 10.8 seconds...was named All-East by The National Recruiting Advisor...selected Back of the Year in Hudson County as a senior...was given the Heisman Trophy of Hudson County as a senior...named first-team All-Hudson County...selected honorable mention All-Eastern Region running back by *BlueChip Illustrated*...received three letters in football for Coach Gene Pagnozzi...also earned letters in three other sports. **Personal:** Bethea has one brother and sister...Creg Keith Bethea, born 3/22/78, is the son of Keith Bethea and Catherine Williams.

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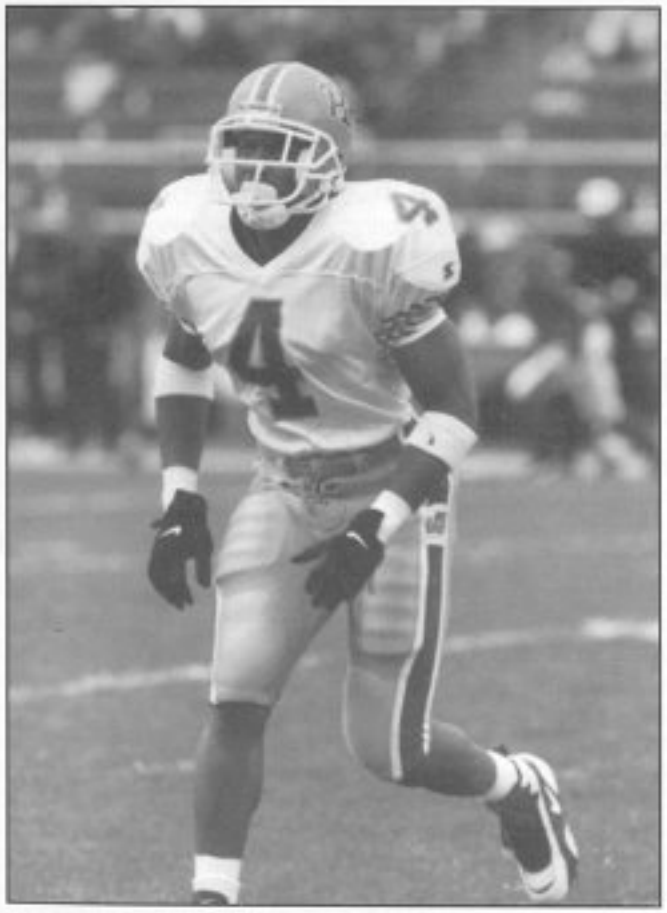
Kevin Bever

Junior
P/PK/5-10/185
Huntington Beach, Calif.

Bever joined the Panthers this past January after transferring from Golden West Coast Community College and will challenge for the starting punting duties this fall...was a two-year starting placekicker and punter at Goldern West Coast, where he compiled a 37.2-yard career punt average during his career...punted 54 times for 2,041 yards during his final season...was 7 of 15 in field-goal attempts and converted 46 of 51PAT attempts...had a career-long 53-yard punt during the 1996 campaign...earned Mission Conference punter of the week honors. **High School:** Was a three-year letterman and All-Sunset League punter for Coach Dave White at Edison High School, the same school as former Pittsburgh offensive linemn Lawson Mollica. **Personal:** Bever is majoring in business...has one sister...Kevin Wayne Bever, born 3/17/77, is the son of Greg and JimmieLee Bever.



A two-year veteran, junior Chuck Brown will be one of the most experienced defensive backs for the Panthers in 1997.

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Chuck Brown**

*Junior**
DB/5-11/175
Bradenton, Fla.

Brown has been a versatile defensive back for the Panthers the past two seasons and will compete for playing time at either safety or cornerback...has very good athletic ability and speed...has all the tools to develop into a solid defensive back...can vertical jump an impressive 38 inches...has been plagued by injuries his first two seasons...served a medical redshirt in 1994. **1996:** Was off to a solid season as the Panthers' starting left cornerback until he suffered a season-ending leg muscle pull during pregame warm-ups of the Virginia Tech game...started the first seven games of the season...registered 27 total tackles, including 19 solo stops...also deflected three passes...had his best game of the season in the Oct. 12 Syracuse contest, collecting eight tackles (six solo stops)...had two of his three pass deflections in the Sept. 14 Houston game. **1995:** Played in nine games for the Panthers and started in four contests to earn his first letter...finished the year with 20 total tackles, including 13 solo stops...also had five pass deflections and collected the first interception of his career in the West Virginia contest...caused a fumble in the Syracuse game...had his best game of the season against Temple, registering seven tackles (six solos) and deflecting one pass. **High School:** Was a first-team All-Florida selection... named to Florida's Super 24 team and played in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game...also named second team All-America by the *USA Today*...recorded three interceptions and a fumble recovery during his senior season...helped lead Southeast High School to a victory in the Florida Quad-A Championship...was a three-year letterman for Coach Paul Maechtle...was also an outstanding track athlete and has been timed at 11.02 seconds in the 100 meters...competed in the state 4x100 relays three times...placed 10th in the 200 meters...earned three letters in track and one letter in basketball...named first team All-Area twice. **Personal:** Brown has one sister... Charlie Brown, born 12/27/75, is the son of Charles and Carol Brown.

Brown's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1995	9/4	0.0	0	5	1	13	7	0	20
1996	7/7	0.0	0	3	0	19	8	0	27
TOTALS	**16/11**	**0.0**	**0**	**8**	**1**	**32**	**15**	**0**	**47**

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Phillip Clarke**

Junior
LB/6-0/235
Miami, Fla.

Clarke has developed into a solid player the past two years for the Panthers, but has been hampered by lingering knee injuries during his career...should challenge for playing time at one of the three linebacker positions in 1997. **1996:** Started in Pittsburgh's first six games of the season before suffering a knee injury that limited his production the rest of the year...missed two games because of the injury (Syracuse and Boston College)...finished the season with 31 total tackles, including 17 solo stops...also had three tackles for losses and recovered a fumble in the Sept. 14 Houston contest. **1995:** Was having a solid freshman season, until suffering a knee injury in the Syracuse contest...earned his first Pitt letter...finished the season with 26 total tackles, including 15 solo stops...also had two tackles for a loss and a sack...forced a fumble in the Syracuse contest...had his best game of the season against Ohio State, registering nine tackles (four solos) and a tackle for a loss...was credited with his only sack of the season in the Boston College contest. **High School:** Earned three letters for Coach Otis Collier at South Miami Senior High School...finished career with 427 tackles, including 147 during his senior campaign, which led the county...also had 13 sacks and six fumble recoveries...selected as third-team All-State his senior year...was a two-time All-County and team MVP...selected as Defensive Player of the Year three times...also played fullback...rushed for 620 yards and four touchdowns during his senior year and was named the Most Outstanding Offensive Back...selected as team captain for his junior and senior seasons...selected first-team *Pig Skin Magazine* Elite Team...named MVP of Stan Marks Dade Memorial All-Star game...selected to play in the Florida-Georgia All-Star game and FACA North/South Coca-Cola All-Star game...was ranked as one of the top 10 prospects in the state and one of the top 15 linebackers in the nation...listed in the *Who's Who in American High School Sports*...earned one letter in track and was the state discus champion (197 feet) as a freshman. **Personal:** Clarke has five brothers and eight sisters...Phillip Clarke, born 1/19/77, is the son of Eustace Sr. and Emily Clarke.

Clarke's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1995	10/0	1.0	0	0	0	15	11	2	26
1996	9/6	0.0	1	0	0	17	14	3	31
TOTALS	**19/6**	**1.0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**32**	**25**	**5**	**57**

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Ernest Coakley*

Senior
LB/6-2/210
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Coakley emerged as a top linebacker in the Big East in 1996...is an extremely hard-hitter who loves contact...has very good speed for a linebacker...is a strong candidate for the strongside outside linebacker position. **1996:** Was one of Pittsburgh's most productive and durable defensive players in 1996...finished the season as the third-leading tackler with 55 total stops, including 28 unassisted tackles...played and started in 10 games...also recorded 1.5 sacks and was credited with one quarterback pressure...missed his one game (Temple) because of a knee injury that probably would have sidelined anyone else for an extended period of time...had a magnificant 15-tackle performance against co-Big East champion Virginia Tech, which included nine solo stops and one tackle for a loss...registered eight tackles and a sack in the Panthers' season-opener versus West Virginia...also had eight tackles against Rose Bowl-champion Ohio State. **1995 (Hudson Valley C.C.):** Was a starter at Hudson Valley Community College on a defensive unit that allowed its opponents less than 200 yards a game in total offense and was the No. 1-rated junior-college defense. **High School:** Was named to the New York City Coaches All-City Team and All-Borough Team...played for Canarsie High School's team that was 7-1 in 1994 and 13-3 in his first two years for Coach Mike Camardese...is from the same high school as Panther tailback Dwayne Schulters. **Personal:** Coakley is majoring in administration of justice...has three brothers and two sisters...nicknamed "Junior"...Ernest Samuel Coakley, born 10/17/76, is the son of Ernest Coakley and Alicia Gordon.

Coakley's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	10/10	1.5	0	0	0	28	27	1	55

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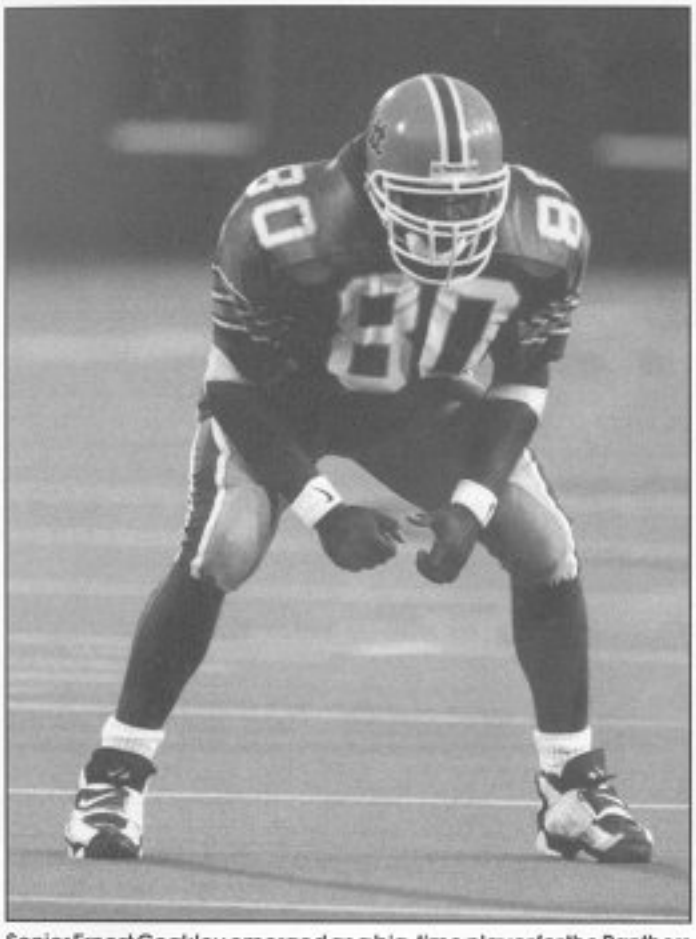
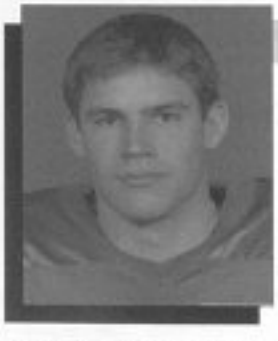


Senior Ernest Conkley emerged as a big-time player for the Panthers in his first season during the 1996 campaign.



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Grant Coffield

Sophomore*
P/6-3/205
Greensburg, Pa.

Coffield joined the Panthers as a walk-on punter two years ago and has had the opportunity to develop and learn from one of Pittsburgh's all-time best punters—Nate Cochran...possesses a strong leg and has shown very good potential...needs to develop more consistency...punted seven times for 306 yards and a 43.7-yard average this past spring in the Blue-Gold scrimmage...had a 60-yard punt during the scrimmage...is an excellent student and is a Bell Atlantic Scholar Athlete honoree. **High School:** Was a three-year letterman for Coach John Bainbridge at Greater Latrobe High School...also earned three letters for soccer and track...was a high honor student and his senior class vice president...was listed in the *Who's Who Among High School Students* directory. **Personal:** Coffield is majoring in mechanical engineering...has one sister...Grant Edward Coffield, born 11/9/76, is the son of Ronald and Patricia Coffield.

96

Chris Dilba*

Sophomore*
DL/6-4/290
Cherry Hill, N.J.

Dilba has made good progress over the past two seasons to a point at which he could be a solid contributor for the Panthers in 1997...had a very good spring at one of the defensive tackle position...has excellent size and athletic ability...sat out the 1995 season as a redshirt. **1996:** Accrued valuable playing experience in 1996, playing in 10 of Pittsburgh's 11 games...started the Ohio State game...finished the season with 20 total tackles, including seven solo stops...also was credited with a tackle for a loss in the Virginia Tech contest...had his best game of the season in the Panthers' victory against Boston College, registering six tackles. **High School:** Was a two-time first-team All-Olympic Conference selection...also earned first-team All-Group IV South honors...earned two letters for Coach Ike Smith at Cherry Hill West High School...was named his high school's Defensive Player of the Year...also served as the team's punter and kicker his last three seasons...also earned two letters in wrestling and played lacrosse. **Personal:** Dilba is majoring in pre-medical careers...has one brother and one sister...Christopher R. Dilba, born 4/3/77, is the son of Rimgaudas and Patricia Dilba.

Dilba's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	10/1	0	0	0	0	7	13	1	20

Redshirt sophomore Chris Dilba will be a key member of the defensive line in 1997.

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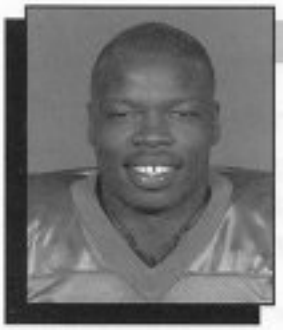

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Darnell Dinkins*

*Sophomore**
QB/6-3/225
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dinkins has impeccable athletic abilities, which could be valuable at a few different positions for the Panthers in 1997...is a gifted athlete with an incredibly strong throwing arm...will compete for the starting quarterback position but also may be tried at receiver or on the defensive side of the ball...worked predominately at the quarterback position during spring drills and showed some progress...was not among the top two candidates after spring drills and will begin fall camp as the number-three quarterback behind Pete Gonzalez and Matt Lytle who are virtually deadlocked for the starting job...completed three of eight pass attempts for 56 yards in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring...was the recipient of the 1995 Watkins Memorial Trophy Award, presented by the National Alliance of African American Athletes, to the premier African American Male Athlete in the nation...sat out as a redshirt in 1995. **1996:** Split time at quarterback and wide receiver in 1996...played in seven games to earn his first Pittsburgh letter...caught four passes for 14 yards...averaged 3.5 yards a reception. **High School:** Selected as *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* City League Player of the Year...was a member of the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22...led Schenley to its first City League Championship game since 1950...was a three-year starter and passed for 1,127 yards and rushed for 422 yards during his senior year...also played linebacker and recorded 86 tackles...selected to play in the prestigious Big 33 Football Classic as a linebacker...earned three letters for Coach James Trent at Schenley High School...also earned four letters in basketball and one in volleyball. **Personal:** Dinkins is majoring in pre-education...has four sisters...nicknamed "D.J."...Darnell Joseph Dinkins, born 1/20/77, is the son of Joseph Smith and Lillie McKinley.

Dinkins' Career Statistics:

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	7/0	4	14	3.5	5	0	0

Rushing	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	7/0	3	2	0.7	2	0	0

Passing

	G/GS	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yards	Int.	TDs	Efficiency
1996	7/0	2	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0

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Djems Don*

Sophomore
DL/6-3/230
North Miami, Fla.

Don is a big, strong player who can be a contributor for the Panthers in 1997 if he continues to improve...has the physical skills to be a productive player but needs experience and consistency. **1996:** Played in nine games in 1996 and started in one contest (Boston College)...earned his first letter...was credited with 11 total tackles, including five solo stops...also had one tackle for a loss...participated on several special teams for the Panthers. **High School:** Was a first-team All-Dade County Northern Division All-Star as a senior at North Miami High School...named second-team All-Dade County as a senior...was a three-year football letterman for Coach Jerry Lotito...also earned letters for track and basketball ...finished ninth in the state in the shot put. **Personal:** Don has two brothers and one sister...Djems Don, born 3/19/77, is the son of Leonidas Don and Velise Berger.

Don's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	10/10	1.5	0	0	0	28	27	1	55

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Jason Dugger

*Junior**
OL/6-4/280
New Wilmington, Pa.

Dugger has made steady progress over the past three seasons and could move into a reserve role for the Panthers in 1996...possesses outstanding leg strength and explosiveness...can squat lift nearly 700 pounds, which is one of the best on the team...has played most of his Pittsburgh career at tackle but is projected as a backup at left guard in 1997...sat out the 1994 season as a redshirt...is a Bell Atlantic Scholar Athlete honoree. **1996:** Played in two games for the Panthers in 1996. **1995:** Did not play in any games. **High School:** Was a two-year starter at Wilmington Area High School...played both offensive tackle and defensive end for Coach Terry Verrelli...was a first-team All-Conference selection two consecutive years...named the recipient of the Mack Truck Bulldog Award...was team captain his senior season...selected the Lawrence County Athlete of the Year during his senior year...won three letters in track...captured the Tri-County shot put title his senior year...was the captain of his high school track team. **Personal:** Dugger is majoring in communications ...has one sister...is married to Jennifer Evanoski...Jason Andrew Dugger, born 6/14/76, is the son of Jonathan and Gwen Dugger.

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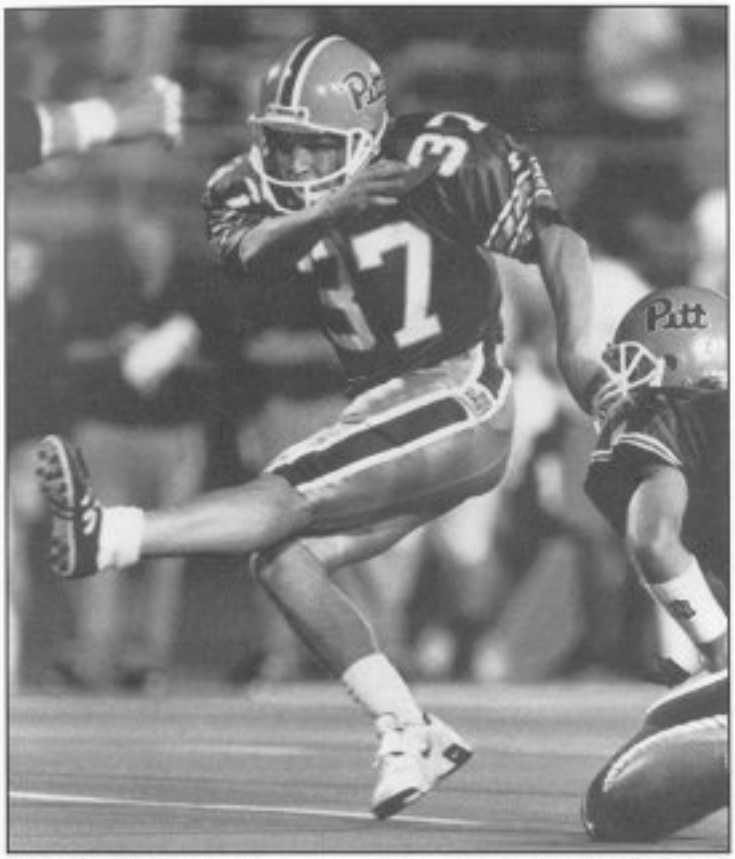

Junior Chris Ferencik will be expected to regain the form he displayed during his freshman season when he emerged as one of the top placekickers in the country.

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Chris Feola

Sophomore*

FB/6-1/230

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Feola joined the Panthers in fall 1995 and has served valuable role as a practice player for the team the past two seasons...was particularly valuable this past spring when he took most of the snaps because of an abscence of healthy players at the fullback position...had one reception for six yards in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring...could see some playing time in 1997 on special teams. **High School:** Was a four-year letterman for Coach Jack McCurry at North Hills High School...was a member of North Hills' 1994 state championship team and was a teammate of Pittsburgh senior Eric Kasperowicz...selected first team All-Area...named the most valuable player of the 1995 team...also earned three letters for baskeball and four for baseball. **Personal:** Feola is majoring in business...has one sister...Chris Joseph Feola, born 8/12/77, is the son of T. J. and Lori Feola.

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Chris Ferencik**

Junior

PK/5-11/185

Strongsville, Ohio

Ferencik is poised to rebound from what some critics may call a down season in 1996, after a superb freshman campaign in 1995...has the potential to be one of the top placekickers in the Big East...posseses an unusual kicking style for a soccer-style kicker that allows him to keep the ball straight after making contact...has missed just two PAT attempts (48 total) in two seasons **1996:** Converted 5-of-9 field-goal attempts during the year...finished the season as the team's second-leading scorer, totaling 38 points...connected on 23 of 24 PAT attempts, his only miss coming in the Boston College contest...hit a career-long 49-yard field goal against Virginia Tech...made 7-of-7 PAT attempts in the Kent State contest. **1995:** Missed only two placekicks all season, a PAT attempt against Temple and a field goal attempt in Pittsburgh's final game of the year against West Virginia...was one of five finalists—and the only freshman—for the Lou Groza Award, given annually to the top collegiate placekicker...was named the Panthers' starting placekicker just the day before the season-opener...earned Big East Special Teams Player of the Week honors for his performance in Pitt's Oct. 21 Miami game in which he connected on three field goals and converted his only PAT attempt for 10 points...converted 18 straight PATs before his miss against Temple...connected on 23 of 24 PAT attempts for the season...was 12-for-13 in field goal attempts...finished the season as the 16th-ranked kicker in the country (1.2 field goals per game)....finished third in the Big East Conference in kick scoring and fourth in overall scoring with 59 points (5.9 points a game)...scored 12 points (nine PATs and a field goal) in Pitt's 66-30 victory against Eastern Michigan...in his Pitt debut, Ferencik kicked a 38-yard field goal and added two PATs to help propel Pittsburgh to a 17-13 win against Washington State...had a season-long field goal of 41 yards (versus Eastern Michigan). **High School:** Was a two-time All-Ohio Division 1 first-team kicker/punter...was a two-time member of *The Cleveland Plain Dealer's* All-Star team...scored 165 points during his three-year career, including 23 of 27 field goals and 96 of 99 extra points...also averaged 41.3 yards per punt...earned three letters for Coach Russ Jacques at Strongsville. **Personal:** Christopher Edward Ferencik, born 4/21/77, is the son of Richard and Paula Ferencik.

Ferencik's Career Statistics:

	G	PAT Att.	PATs	FG Att.	FGs	Pts	Long
1995	10	24	23	12	13	59	41
1996	8	24	23	9	5	38	49
TOTALS	**18**	**48**	**46**	**21**	**18**	**97**	**49**

Field Goal Efficiency

	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	FGs	Att.	Percent	Long
1995	0-0	4-5	6-6	2-2	0-0	12	13	.923	41
1996	0-0	0-1	2-3	3-3	0-2	5	9	.556	49
TOTALS	**0-0**	**4-6**	**8-9**	**5-5**	**0-2**	**17**	**22**	**.772**	**49**

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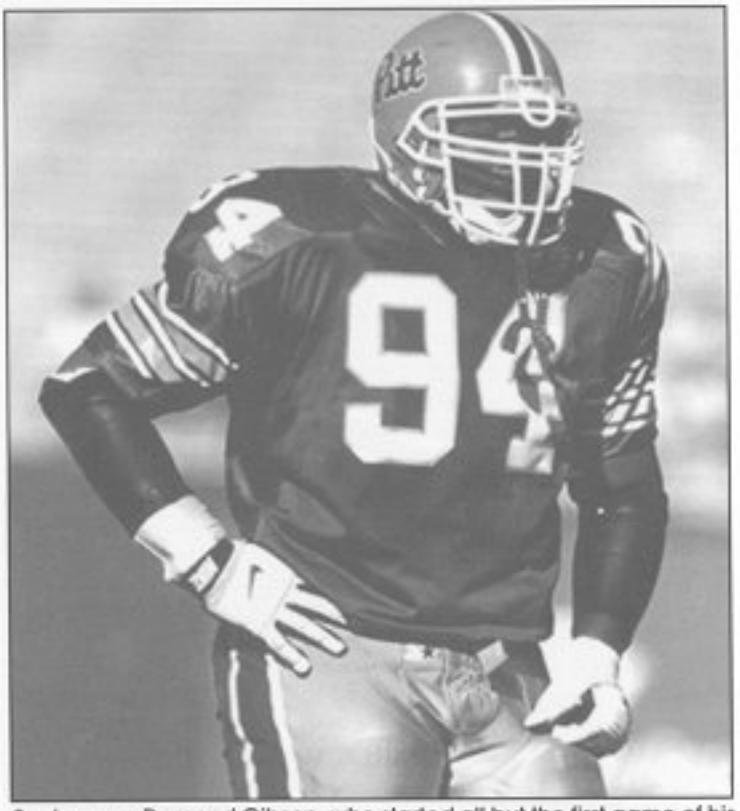
Demond Gibson*

Sophomore
DL/6-3/315
Pittsburgh, Pa.

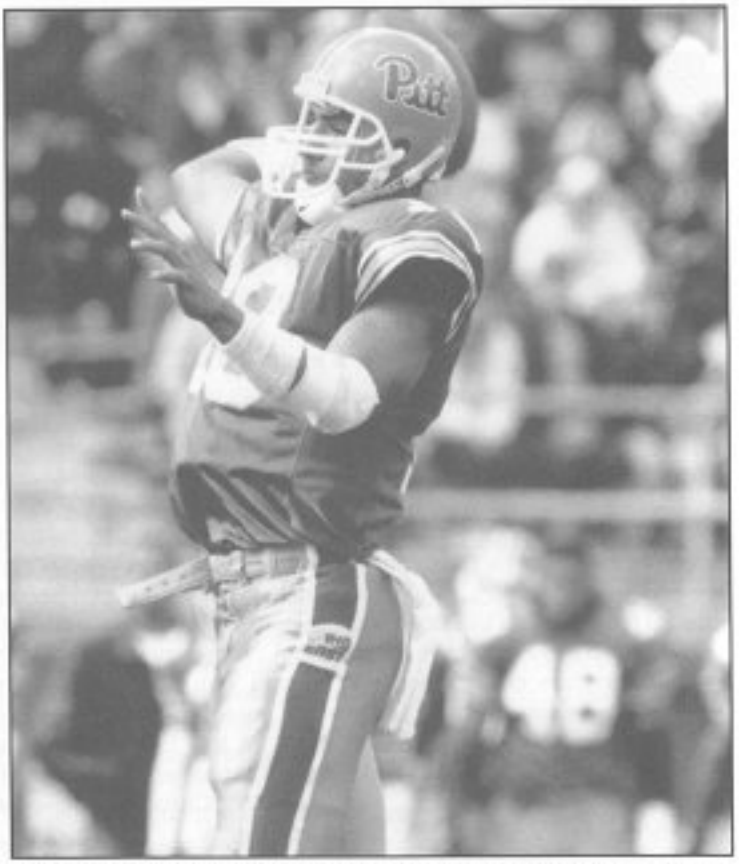
Gibson will begin the 1997 season as the only returning from the 1996 defensive line...has the physical attributes to be a solid defensive lineman. **1996:** Had a solid season as a freshman starter for the Panthers in 1996...began the season as a backup defensive tackle but worked his way into the starting lineup for the second game of the year and did not relinquish the position the rest of the season...finished sixth on the team in tackles with 36 total stops, including 26 solo tackles...also had a team-high two sacks...was credited with one tackle for a loss, a fumble recovery and an interception...had both of his sacks in the Kent State game, his first start of the season...had an interception in the final game of the year versus Rutgers. **High School:** Helped lead Penn Hills to the 1995 PIAA Quad-A state Championship and a 15-0 record...rated the second-best defensive line prospect in the Eastern region and selected to the Big East Super 25 team and National Elite 50 High School Seniors list as an offensive lineman by *BlueChip Illustrated*...rated as one of the top 25 defensive line prospects in the country by *SuperPrep Magazine*...was ranked as one of the top 10 nose guard prospects and named High School All-American by *The National Recruiting Advisor*...selected first-team All-Quad East as an offensive lineman in 1995...was selected to play in the prestigious BIG 33 Football Classic...was considered as one of the top 100 high school players in the country in *Bob Griese's College Football Magazine*...named to the *Gateway Press* Elite 18 and the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22...named to *Street and Smith's* seniors to watch...named to *Sporting News* Prime Prospects and Pennsylvania's Finest 44...was a team captain...received three letters in football for Coach Neil Gordon...was president of Peer Mediation Members of the Just Say No program...enjoys playing the drums...plans to study family counseling. **Personal:** Gibson is majoring in social work...has two sisters...Demond Michael Gibson, born 5/25/77, is the son of James and Lynn Dilligham.

Gibson's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	11/10	2.0	1	0	1	20	16	1	36



Sophomore Demond Gibson, who started all but the first game of his freshman season in 1996, is the only returning starter on the defensive line in 1997.



Senior Pete Gonzalez will be in another heated battle for the starting quarterback position in 1997.

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Pete Gonzalez**

*Senior**
QB/6-1/210
Miami, Fla.

Gonzalez will once again be in a heated battle for the starting quarterback position...had a slight edge in the competition during the early portion of spring drills but he and Matt Lytle head into fall camp in a virtual deadlock for the position...has good athletic ability with an extremely strong arm...completed 12 of 21 pass attempts for 150 yards and two TDs in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring...has been the Panthers' starting placekick holder the past two seasons and should assume the role again in 1997. **1996:** Started in two games for the Panthers...also was Pittsburgh's starting holder for placekicks...completed 30 of 65 pass attempts (.462) for 344 yards and three touchdowns...had his best game of the season in the Panthers' dramatic 53-52 comeback victory against Temple, completing nine of 17 pass attempts for 105 yards and two touchdowns (with one interception). **1995:** Developed nicely during the 1995 season and even started two games before being sidelined by a knee injury the final two games of the season...completed 30 of 76 passes for 478 yards and three TDs for the year...threw five interceptions...had his best game against Rutgers, completing 18 of 36 passes for 258 yards and one TD. **1994:** Played in one game for the Panthers (Virginia Tech)...completed four of six passes for 53 yards...scored his first career touchdown on a 12-yard quarterback draw to spoil Virginia Tech's shutout bid. **1993:** Was impressive in practices with his powerful arm, but a sore elbow kept him from realizing his full potential...played in only one game (Notre Dame) and attempted three passes with one interception...also ran four times for minus-two yards. **High School:** Was a *Blue Chip* All-American and three-year letterman for Coach Clark Eakes at Coral Park High School...selected team MVP twice...earned second-team All-Dade honors and was named a Deep South All-American...passed for more than 1,200 yards in three straight seasons...threw nine TDs during his senior season...also lettered in baseball and volleyball...played in the Florida North-South Shrine Bowl and the Florida-Georgia All-Star games. **Personal:** Gonzalez is majoring in history...has one brother and two sisters...Pete Gonzalez, born 7/4/74, is the son of Vilma and the late Jose Gonzalez.

Gonzalez's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yards	Int.	TDs	Efficiency
1993	1/0	3	0	.000	0	1	0	-66.7
1994	1/0	6	4	.667	53	0	0	140.8
1995	6/2	76	30	.395	478	5	3	92.2
1996	11/2	65	30	.462	344	3	2	96.6
TOTALS	**19/4**	**150**	**64**	**.426**	**875**	**9**	**5**	**90.67**

Graham's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	11/2	1.0	0	0	0	17	12	2	29

Gonzalez's 1995 Game-By-Game Passing Statistics

G#	Passing	G/GS	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Ints.	Yards	TDs	Rating	Lg.
1	West Virginia	1/0	2	1	.500	0	6	0	75.2	6
2	at Kent State	1/0	8	4	.500	0	81	0	135.1	46
3	Houston	1/0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	--
4	at Ohio State	1/0	8	4	.500	1	21	0	47.1	8
5	at Miami	1/1	17	7	.412	1	67	0	62.5	25
6	Temple	1/1	17	9	.529	1	105	2	131.9	46t
7	at Syracuse	1/0	6	3	.500	0	18	0	75.2	10
8	at Va. Tech	1/0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	--
9	B. College	1/0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	--
10	Notre Dame	1/0	7	2	.286	0	32	1	130.9	32t
11	Rutgers	1/0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	--
	Totals	**11/2**	**65**	**30**	**.462**	**3**	**344**	**3**	**96.6**	**46t**
	Big East	***7/2***	***42***	***20***	***.476***	***2***	***196***	***2***	***93.0***	***46t***

1995 Game-By-Game Passing Statistics

G#	Passing	G/GS	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Ints.	Yards	TDs	Rating	Lg.
2	E. Michigan	1/0	4	2	.500	0	45	1	227.0	39
3	Ohio State	1/0	2	1	.500	1	15	0	13.0	15
6	at B. College	1/0	2	1	.500	1	15	0	13.0	15
7	at Temple	1/0	12	4	.333	1	45	1	75.7	15
8	Miami	1/1	20	4	.200	1	100	0	52.0	45
9	Rutgers	1/1	36	18	.500	1	258	1	113.8	51
	Totals	**6/2**	**76**	**30**	**.395**	**5**	**478**	**3**	**92.2**	**51**
	Big East	***4/2***	***27***	***70***	***.386***	***4***	***418***	***2***	***86.7***	***51***

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Julian Graham*

*Sophomore**
LB/6-1/245
Philadelphia, Pa.

Graham will provide some depth to Pittsburgh's linebacker corps in 1997...is a hard-hitting linebacker who could also contribute on several special teams...has played both inside and outside linebacker in his first two years at Pittsburgh...will begin fall camp as the backup to Ernest Coakley at the strongside outside linebacker position...sat out the 1995 campaign as a redshirt. **1996:** Played in all 11 games and started in two contests (Miami and Temple) during the 1996 season to earn his first Pittsburgh letter...finished the season with 29 total tackles, including 17 solo stops...also was credited with one sack (versus Ohio State) and two tackles for losses. **High School:** Selected to the Philadelphia Public League All-Star team...named to the *Philadelphia Inquirer's* All-Area team...recorded 340 career tackles, including 105 during his senior year...also registered 55 career sacks in his four-year varsity career...played fullback and gained 715 yards (6.5 yards per carry)...selected to play in the prestigious Big 33 Football Classic...was a four-year letterman for Coach Tom Bazis at John Bartram High School...also received four letters in track and one in basketball. **Personal:** Graham is majoring in business...has two brothers...Julian Lavon Graham, born 4/19/77, is the son of Johnny and Wilhelmina Graham.

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Andrew Grischow*

Junior*

OL/6-3/265

Lake Milton, Ohio

Grischow, a dedicated worker in the weight room, will challenge for the starting center position in 1997...broke into the starting lineup during the middle of the 1996 season when a series of injuries infiltrated the offensive line...was progressing nicely as a starter until an off-the-field injury forced him to miss the final two games of the season...began his career at guard and could play there if needed...is an aggressive player with excellent agility and good strength...is an excellent student...has been named to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll and the Bell Atlantic Scholar Athlete team. **1996:** Played in nine games and started in five contests at center to earn his first Pittsburgh letter...was developing solidly but missed the final two games of the season because of a hand injury...was named to the 1996 Big East Football Conference's Scholar-Athlete team. **High School:** Was a standout at perennial football-power Harding High School in Warren, Ohio...named to the All-Steel Valley Conference team...was All-Ohio Honorable Mention...named first-team All-Trumbull County...played in the Ohio North-South All-Star game ...also played defensive tackle, recording three sacks and recovering a fumble....earned three letters for Coach Phil Annarella at Harding...was a member of the National Honor Society...kicked off and snapped for punts and PATs for his high school team...also lettered in track...was Warren Harding's nominee for Trumbull County Player of the Year. **Personal:** Grischow is majoring in communications...has one brother...his father played football at Mt. Union (Ohio) College...Andrew Gregory Grischow, born 10/10/75, is the son of Andrew and Ann Lynn Grischow.

Redshirt junior Andrew Grischow started five games at center in 1996.

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Jake Hoffart*

Senior

WR/6-1/200

Yuba City, Calif.

Hoffart should surface as one of the Panthers' top receivers in 1997...has good hands and runs very good routes...transferred in January 1996 from Pacific, after it dropped its football program...also spent two seasons at Sacramento College and was the first freshman to start there in more than 10 years. **1996:** Made a strong transition and emerged as the Panthers' top receiver in 1996...played in all 11 games and started in nine contests...finished the year with 39 receptions for 667 yards, both team highs...also scored five TDs and had a two-point conversions...averaged a solid 17.1 yards a catch...had his best game of the year in Pittsburgh's victory versus Temple, catching seven passes for a season-high 148 yards and one TD...also produced a 100-yard receiving performance against Boston College, collecting four receptions for 105 yards and a touchdown...had six catches versus Notre Dame. **1995 (Pacific):** Played in four games for the Tigers, catching five passes for 40 yards and one TD. **High School:** Was a two-year All-Conference player at Yuba City High School in both football and basketball...was coached in football by Mic Maxwell...had his best game against Valley H.S., catching six passes for 183 yards...was a California Scholastic Federation Gold Seal winner. **Personal:** Hoffart is majoring in communications....has two sisters...Arnold Jacob Hoffart, born 6/24/75, is the son of Arnold and Mandy Hoffart.

Hoffart's Career Statistics:

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1995 (Pacific)	4/0	5	40	8.0	18	1	6
1996	11/9	39	667	17.1	48t	5	32*
TOTALS	**15/9**	**44**	**707**	**16.1**	**48t**	**6**	**38***

*includes a 2-point conversion

Hoffart's 1996 Game-By-Game Receiving Statistics

#		GP/GS	REC.	YARDS	AVG	LG	TD
1	West. Virginia	1/0	0	0	0.0	--	0
2	Kent State	1/0	3	73	24.3	46	0
3	Houston	1/1	3	53	17.7	21	0
4	at Ohio State	1/1	2	15	7.5	8	0
5	at Miami (Fla.)	1/1	1	25	25.0	25	0
6	Temple	1/1	7	148	21.1	46t	1
7	at Syracuse	1/1	3	34	11.3	24	1
8	at Va. Tech	1/1	5	60	12.0	15	0
9	Boston College	1/1	4	105	26.3	40	1
10	at Notre Dame	1/1	6	76	12.7	32	1
11	Rutgers	1/1	5	78	15.6	48t	1
	Totals	**11/9**	**39**	**667**	**17.1**	**48t**	**5**
	Big East	***7/6***	***25***	***450***	***18.0***	**48t**	***4***

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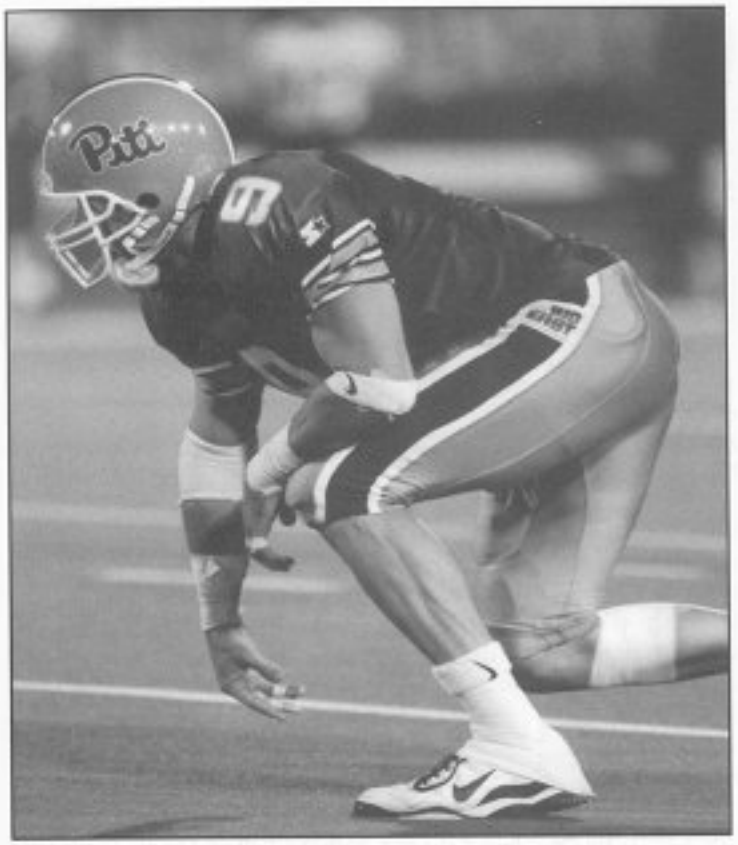

Jake Hoffart, who led the Panthers in receiving in 1996, returns for his senior campaign in 1997.

Sophomore Seth Hornack gained valuable experience as a part-time starter during his freshman season in 1996.

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Seth Hornack*

Sophomore
DB/5-10/190
Lower Burrell, Pa.

Forced into a prominent role because of injuries, Hornack acquitted himself quite well as a part-time starter during his freshman campaign in 1996...is an intense, tenacious player and loves contact...should also contribute on special teams...impressed the Pittsburgh coaching staff at the 1995 Johnny Majors Football Camp. **1996:** Progressed nicely during the 1996 season and eventually earned his way into the starting lineup...suffered a knee injury in the season-opener versus West Virginia that hampered his progress early in the season that forced him to miss two games...started in five games, including the Panthers' final three contests...finished the season with 48 total tackles, including 29 solo stops, which was the fifth-highest on the team...also was credited with one forced fumble and one fumble recovery...produced three double-figure tackling performances: Ohio State (12), Boston College (11) and Notre Dame (10). **High School:** Was named *Tribune-Review* WPIAL AA Player of the Year...helped Burrell win the 1995 WPIAL title and reach the PIAA AA state finals...was selected as the seventh-best defensive back in the All-Eastern Region by *BlueChip Illustrated*...caught 63 passes for 881 yards and 15 TDs during his senior year as a receiver...selected to play in the prestigious BIG 33 Football Classic...was a three-year starter...selected to the *Valley News Dispatch* All-Star team...selected to the 1995 first-team All-Allegheny Conference squad as a wide receiver and defensive back...was a slotback on offense for two seasons, rushing 138 times for 1,134 yards (8.2 yards per carry) and six TDs...also had 50 receptions for 724 yards (14.5 yards per carry) and five TDs...played a major role in Burrell's three Class AA Allegheny Conference titles...won four letters in football for Coach Thomas Henderson...also received two letters in baseball, track and basketball...scored more than 1,100 on his SAT's and was nominated for *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. **Personal:** Hornack has one brother and three sisters ...Seth Joseph Hornack, born 8/20/77, is the son of Thomas and Denise Hornack.

Hornack's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	9/5	0.0	1	0	0	29	19	0	48

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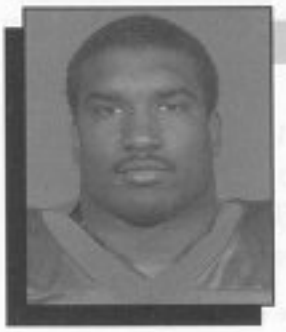

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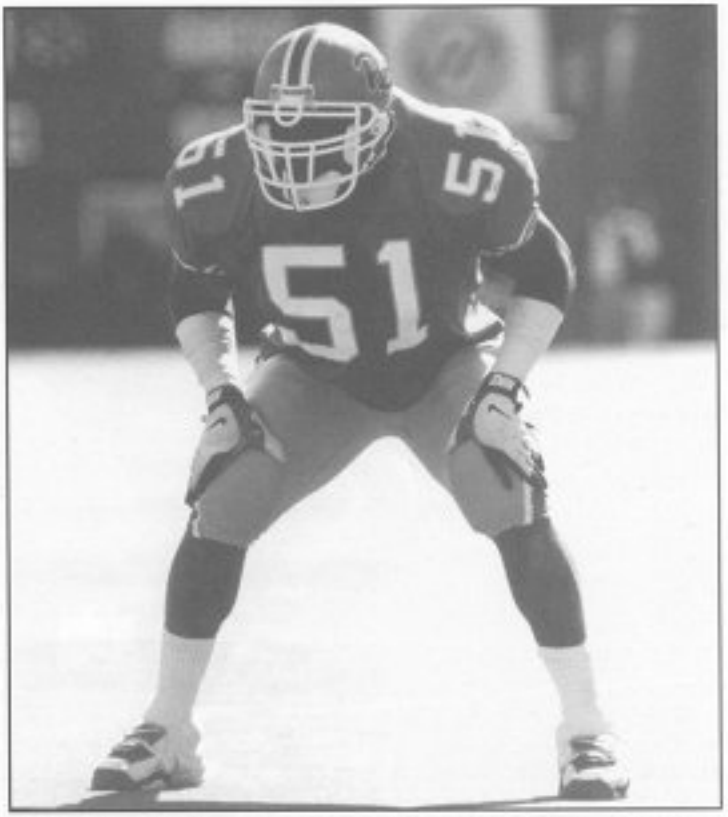
Roderick Humphrey***

*Senior**
LB/6-1/235
Tulsa, Okla.

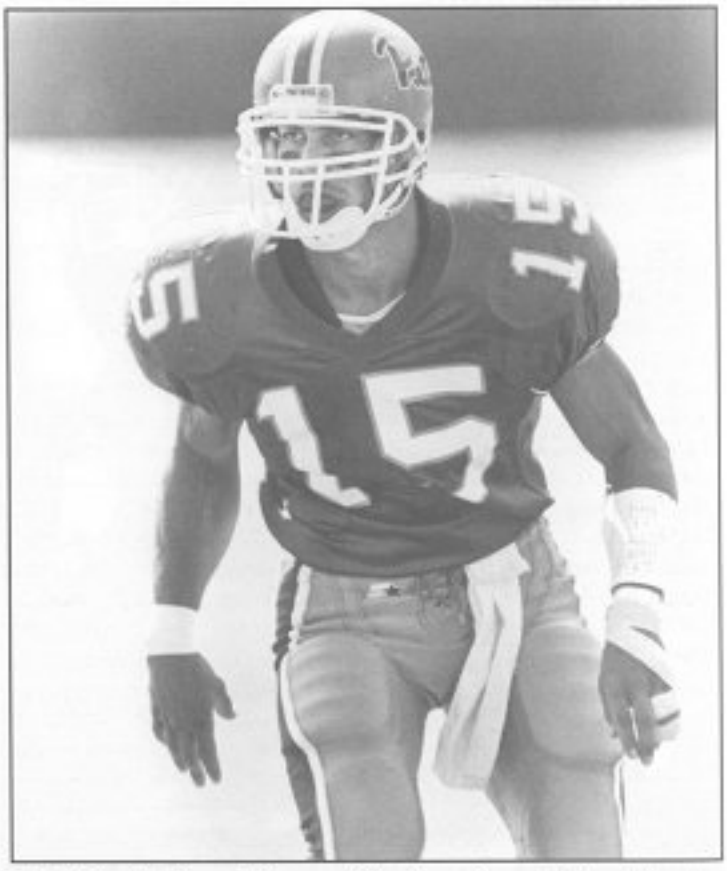
Humphrey will be expected to help solidify the linebacking corps in 1997 with his leadership and experince...is coming off his best season in 1996 and will be expected to be a key contributor in his senior campaign...possesses an exemplary work ethic...has not missed a game in three seasons...was named to the *College and Prro Football Weekly* All-Conference squad. **1996:** Played in all 11 games for the Panthers in 1996 and started in nine contests...finished the season with 54 total tackles, including 32 solo stops, which ranked fourth on team...also was credited with one sack, a caused fumble and two pass deflections...had his best game of the year against Miami, one of the two contests he did not start, registering 12 total tackles (nine solo stops)...produced two eight-tackle performances (Houston and Virginia Tech). **1995:** Established himself as a solid linebacker and capable starter...started in two games (Texas and Boston College) for the injured Jon McCray...finished the season with 31 total tackles (17 solo stops)...had his best game in the Boston College contest in which he was credited with seven total tackles, including four solo stops...had his only sack of the season in the Texas game...also had two tackles for losses...collected his first career interception in the West Virginia game. **1994:** Earned his first Pittsburgh letter as a special teams player and reserve outside linebacker...registered 18 total tackles, including 15 solo stops...also had two sacks (one each against Boston College and Miami)...recorded one tackle for a loss...had his best games of the season against Boston College and Miami, registering four tackles in each of those contests. **High School:** Was a three-year letterman for Coach Ted Alexander at Booker T. Washington High School...named first-team All-Conference his senior year...also garnered All-District and All-State honors...was considered one of the top 25 players in Oklahoma...selected to play in the Greater Tulsa Bowl, the Shrine Bowl, and the Tulsa All-Star games...also lettered in wrestling and track...returned an interception for a TD his senior year...was a team captain...was a varsity starter at the age of 14. **Personal:** Humphrey is majoring in economics...has a brother and sister, who are twins...his brother Ryan was a Top 25 basketball player who signed with Oklahoma...his father, Al, was selected in the 1975 NFL Draft by the Pittsburgh Steelers...his father was also his position coach in high school...Roderick Al Humphrey, born 11/12/75, is the son of Al and Melodi Humphrey.

Humphrey's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1994	11/0	2.0	0	1	0	15	3	1	18
1995	11/2	1.0	0	0	1	17	14	2	31
1996	11/9	1.0	0	2	0	32	22	1	54
Totals	**33/11**	**4.0**	**0**	**3**	**1**	**64**	**39**	**4**	**103**



Fifth-year senior Rod Humphrey has been a solid contributor for the Panthers during his Pittsburgh career.



Senior John Jenkins will be one of the key returners in the defensive secondary in 1997 as well as a solid punt returner for the Panthers.

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John Jenkins***

Senior*

DB/6-2/190

East McKeesport, Pa.

Jenkins has been one of Pittsburgh's most versatile and durable defensive players over the past four seasons...will be moved to cornerback for his senior campaign in 1997, after starting the past three seasons at free safety...has not missed a game in the past three seasons...has been a valuable special teams player for the Panthers and should contribute on several special teams in 1997...will also see playing time as a kick returner and is projected as the starting punt returner heading into fall camp...sat out his freshman season as a redshirt...was moved to wide receiver in the middle of his freshman year season, but moved back to defensive back for the 1995 season. **1996:** Had a solid season in 1996 and finished the campaign as the team' s second-leading tackler, registering 63 total tackles (44 solo stops)...also was credtied with two pass deflections and one quarterback pressure and had one interception (versus Houston)...started all 11 games for the Panthers...was Pittsburgh's top punt returner...finished with 196 yards on 18 punt returns...averaged 10.9 yards a punt return, which ranked second in the Big East and 31st in the country...produced a season-long 33-yard return in the Houston contest...had a career-best 18-tackle performance (10 solo stops) in the Notre Dame contest...produced a nine-tackle game versus Boston College and three eight-tackle performances. **1995:** Started all 11 games for the Panthers at free safety and was an integral part of the special teams units...had two solid games to that point of his career in the season-opener against Washington State and in the season-finale against West Virginia...registered a then career-best six solo tackles in the Washington State game, including the game-clinching interception at the final horn...registered two interceptions and returned four punts for 55 yards (had returns of 30, 12, eight, and five yards) in the season-finale against West Virginia...finished as the team's fourth-leading tackler with 54 stops (34 solo)...had six games with five or more tackles...registered a career-high nine tackles against Ohio State (four solo and five assists) and Boston College (five solo and four assists)...led the Panthers in interceptions (4) on the year for a total 51 yards...tied for 47th nationally and third in the Big East Conference in interceptions (0.36 interceptions per game average) ...returned nine punts during the season for an 11.2 yard average (would have ranked 20th nationally if he had enough returns to qualify)...was one of seven players on defense to start every game. **1994:** Played in all 11 games as a reserve defensive back and special teams player...earned his first Pittsburgh letter...registered 24 total tackles (16 solo stops)...also caused one fumble and registered one pass deflection...returned four punts for 30 yards, a 7.5-yard average...recorded a long return of 13 yards...also had one kickoff return for 15 yards...missed all of spring drills prior to the 1994 season after fracturing his hand during a non-football incident in the offseason. **High School:** Was considered one of the top athletes in the WPIAL during his senior year...was a three-sport star at East Allegheny High School...selected team MVP in football (1992), basketball (1991-92, 1992-93), and baseball (1992-93)...earned three letters in football for Coach Tom Organ...broke former Panther star Gordon Jones' school record of 14 interceptions by collecting 23 career interceptions...selected to play in the prestigious Big 33 All-Star Classic...played wide receiver on offense...earned All-State honors as a defensive back...also was selected first-team All-Conference...was a three-year starter at safety...also named first-team All-Conference in basketball and baseball...was a captain of the football and basketball teams...earned four letters in basketball and baseball...once won first place in a science fair...was a high school Honor Roll student...served on the Student Council. **Personal:** Jenkins is majoring in communications...has one brother...John Eric Jenkins, born 5/11/75, is the son of Joseph M. Jenkins Jr.

Jenkins' Career Statistics:

Defensive

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1994	11/0	0.0	1	1	0	16	8	0	24
1995	11/11	0.0	0	4	4	34	20	1	54
1996	11/11	0.0	0	2	1	44	19	0	63
Totals	**33/22**	**0.0**	**1**	**7**	**5**	**94**	**47**	**1**	**141**

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs
1994	4	30	7.5	13	0
1995	9	101	11.2	30	0
1996	18	196	10.9	33	0
Totals	**31**	**327**	**10.5**	**33**	**0**

Kickoff Returns	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs
1994	1	15	15.0	15	0
1995	4	38	9.5	15	0
1996	0	0	0.0	--	0
Totals	**4**	**38**	**9.5**	**15**	**0**

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Ramel (Tiggett) Johnson

Freshman

WR/6-1/180

Philadelphia, Pa.

Johnson joined the Panthers this past spring...briefly attended fall camp last season until an academic technicality was discovered and he was ruled ineligible for the 1996 season because of NCAA requirements...was a pleasant surprise during the spring and emerged as one of the Panthers' top receivers...will have four years of eligibility remaining...performed superbly in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring, catching four passes for 64 yards, including a 32-yard pass play. **High School:** Was a three-year letterman for Coach Ron Cohen at George Washington High School...also earned two letters for track and one for basketball. **Personal:** Johnson has one sister...Ramel Ryheem Johnson, born 3/29/78, is the son of Diane Johnson.

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John Jones**

Junior*

TE/6-5/240

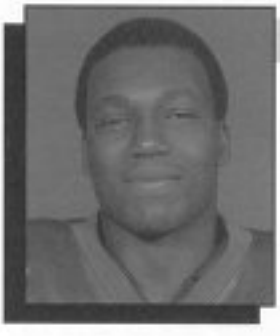
Cleveland, Ohio

Jones showed considerable improvement during spring drills and will be expected to be a key figure in the Pittsburgh offense in 1997...has always possessed impressive physical skills but has been plagued by injuries and inconsistency through the early portion of his career...could also offer his services on the defensive side of the ball as a pass rushing specialist and on several special teams...had three catches for a team-high 83 yards, including one TD, in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring. **1996:** Played in all 11 games and started in seven contests to earn his second Pittsburgh letter...ended the season strongly, catching 12 of his 21 total receptions in the final four contests of the season...finished the year with 263 receiving yards and one TD (versus Temple)...averaged 12.5 yards a catch...had the best game of his career in the Virginia Tech contest, catching five passes for 70 yards, both season highs...had one special teams tackle. **1995:** Was developing nicely as a tight end for the Panthers until he fractured his wrist in the Eastern Michigan game...recorded two solo tackles on special teams...was the 1995 recipient of the offensive Ed Conway Award, presented annually to the most improved player on both offense and defense. **1994:** Played in nine games and started in three contests to earn his first Pittsburgh letter...caught four passes for 60 yards, including a 25-yard reception against Syracuse...was one of five first-year freshmen who played during the 1994 season. **High School:** Had 21 receptions for 402 yards and four TDs as a senior...named to the *SuperPrep* All-American team...was an All Del-Val selection...played in the Hero Bowl All-Star game...was a two-year letterman for Coach Ken Banks at Glen Mills School, near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania... also lettered in track and basketball ...named Most Improved Player for basketball...won Glen Mills' Athletic Scholarship award. **Personal:** Jones is majoring in administration of justice...has one brother and one sister...John La'Velle Jones, born 4/4/75, is the son of John Barrow and Laureen Jones.

Jones' Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1994	10/0	4	60	15.0	25	0	0
1995	2/0	0	0	0.0	--	0	0
1996	11/7	21	263	12.5	24	1	6
Totals	**23/7**	**25**	**323**	**12.9**	**25**	**1**	**6**

Junior John Jones could emerge as a prime target for the Panthers in 1997.



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Vital Joseph**

Senior

WR/6-3/200

Miami,Fla.

Joseph is a versatile receiver who will play both flanker and split end for the Panthers in 1997...could also contribute on special teams...has good speed for his size. **1996:** Played in 10 of Pittsburgh's 11 games in 1997 to earn his second letter...had three catches for 25 yards...averaged 8.3 yards per catch. **1995:** Played mostly as the third receiver in Pitt's three-receiver set...played in five games...collected three catches for 45 yards...had two of his receptions against Rutgers, including a 23-yard catch...earned his second Pitt letter. **1994:** Was one of only four first-year freshman wide receivers who was not redshirted...played in seven games for the Panthers to earn his first letter...had five receptions for 58 yards...averaged 11.6 yards a catch...had a season-long 23-yard catch in the Ohio State game. **High School:** Caught 23 passes for 483 yards and four TDs as a senior...named first-team All-Dade County as a senior...was a *Blue Chip* All-American...was a team captain his senior year...made the Honor Roll four consecutive years...was a four-time letterwinner for Coach Ernest Perkins at Edison High School...played tight end, wide receiver and kicker...also lettered in track. **Personal:** Joseph is majoring in film studies...has one brother and four sisters...Vital Joseph, born 5/30/76, is the son of Regulis Joseph and Fernande St. Victor.

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Joseph's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1994	7/0	5	58	11.6	23	0	0
1995	5/0	3	45	15.0	23	0	0
1996	10/0	3	25	8.3	9	0	0
TOTALS	**22/0**	**11**	**128**	**11.6**	**23**	**0**	**0**

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Ken Kashubara*

Sophomore*

LB/6-3/225

New Castle, Pa.

Kashubara developed into a solid linebacker and special teams player during his freshman season, but a knee injury sidelined him during the 1996 season...could also compete for the long snapping duties.**1996:** Sat out as a medical redshirt due to his knee injury. **1995:** Contributed as a reserve linebacker and a special teams player for the Panthers...played in eight games to earn his first Pitt letter...finished the season with 10 total tackles (seven solo)...also forced a fumble in the Eastern Michigan contest...had four solo tackles versus nationally ranked Ohio State...was credited with a tackle for a loss and three quarterback pressures in the Syracuse game. **High School:** Was a two-time first-team All-Mercer County Conference defensive lineman...played in the West-Penn Coaches North-South All-Star game...was a four-year letterman for Coach Jim Wildman at Sharon...also played tight end and was the team's long snapper for punts and extra-points...also won two letters in basketball. **Personal:** Kashubara has two brothers and one sister...Kenneth Andrew Kashubara, born 12/1/76, is the son of Amy Underwood.

Kashubara's Career Statistics:

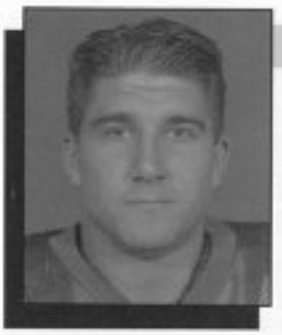
	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1995	8	0.0	0	0	0	7	3	1	10
1996	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	**8**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**7**	**3**	**1**	**10**

Kasperowicz's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1994	10/0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	3
1995	11/0	0	1	1	1	10	2	0	12
1996	4/0	0	1	1	1	5	1	0	6
TOTALS	**25/0**	**0**	**3**	**2**	**2**	**18**	**3**	**0**	**21**

Punt Returns

	Returns	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs
1996	2	15	7.5	8	0



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Eric Kasperowicz**

Senior

QB/DB/6-0/210

Pittsburgh, Pa.

After experimenting at quaterback during the spring, Kasperowicz will probably return to the defensive secondary to begin the 1997 season...is coming off a knee injury he suffered early in the 1996Ohio State contest...had limited practice time during spring drills because of the injury...has been an outstanding special teams performer for the Panthers during his career...was denied a medical redshirt despite suffering the injury early in the fourth game of the season...was held out of contact drills this past spring while recovering from knee surgery...is a Bell Atlantic Scholar-Athlete honoree. **1996:** Saw considerable playing time in Pittsburgh's first three games of the season before suffering a season-ending knee injury...registered six total tackles (five solo stops)...also recovered one fumble and collected one interception...returned two punts for 15 yards. **1995:** Had a solid year for the Panthers as a reserve defensive back and regular special teams player...earned his second Pitt letter...played in 11 games...collected the first career interception of his Pittsburgh career versus Eastern Michigan and returned it 27 yards...had a season-high four tackles in the Virginia Tech contest and recovered a fumble against Miami. **1994:** Switched to the defensive secondary early in fall camp...played in 10 games, accumulating most of his playing time on special teams...also played some as a nickel back...earned his first Pitt letter...forced a fumble and recovered a fumble (versus West Virginia). **High School:** Was one of the most highly regarded prospects in the state of Pennsylvania...was a four-year starter for Coach Jack McCurry at North Hills High School...totaled 6,865 passing and rushing yards and scored 83 TDs in his career...led his team to a 15-0 season and the PIAA Quad A state championship as a senior...passed for 2,781 yards and 21 TDs in 1993...selected as a *Parade* All-American in his senior year...also played safety and was named North Hills' Most Valuable Defensive Back...was named the Associated Press Pennsylvania High School Player of the Year...was selected as a *Blue Chip Illustrated* All-American...selected to play in the prestigious Big 33 Football Classic...named *USA Today* Pennsylvania Football Player of the Year...was also the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Quad-A Player of the Year...selected as the Pennsylvania Coaches Association Big 33 Player of the Year...was chosen as his team's MVP in his junior and senior seasons...also won three letters for track...was a Honor Roll student...was a 1994 YMCA Scholar Athlete...was a Dapper Dan Quad-A Football Player of the Year...listed as one of *Street and Smith's* "Seniors to Watch"...listed in the *Who's Who in American High School Sports* as a junior and senior. **Personal:** Kasperowicz is majoring in health and physical education...has one brother and one sister...his brother Mark Kasperowicz plays football at Carnegie-Mellon...Eric John Kasperowicz, born 6/30/76, is the son of Mark and Cynthia Kasperowicz.

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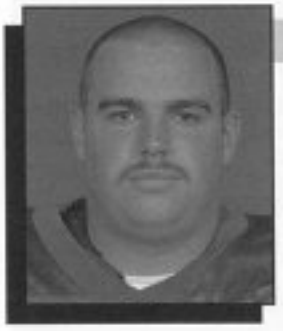
Ken Konek*

Senior
FB/5-9/200
Charleroi, Pa.

Konek has been a solid role player as a walk-on for the Panthers the past three seasons on both the offensive and defensive sides of the ball...played the 1996 season at linebacker but will begin 1997 fall camp at fullback...is a tough, hard-nosed player who should make a smooth transition to the offensive backfield...was a standout running back in high school...moved to linebacker in spring 1996 from fullback and climbed to the top of the depth chart at the strongside linebacker position...should also see action on several special teams...joined the team prior to fall camp in 1994, but did not play in any games...had one carry for four yards in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring...is a Bell Atlantic Scholar-Athlete honoree. **1996:** Played in all 11 games for the Panthers in 1996 to earn his first Pittsburgh letter...finished the season with 15 total tackles, including seven solo stops...also recovered one fumble (versus Miami)...had a career-high four tackles in the Kent State contest. **High School:** Was a four-year letterman for Coach Bob Hodgson at Charleroi High School...rushed for 1,392 yards and 21 TDs during his senior season..was selected to the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22 team his senior year... also earned Century All-Conference honors all four years and was a *Tribune Review* All-Conference selection two seasons...was named to the *Washington Observer's* All-Conference team three years. **Personal:** Konek is majoring in administration of justice...has one brother...Kenneth Scott Konek, born 1/24/76, is the son of Frank and Charlene Konek.

Konek's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	11/0	0.0	1	0	0	7	8	0	15



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Ben Kopp*

Sophomore
OL/6-4/300
New Kensington, Pa.

Kopp will challenge for an offensive line position in 1997...is athletic and versatile enough that he even saw action on both sides of the ball in 1996...settled into at right offensive guard this past spring and is projected as a backup at that position for the fall. **1996:** Played in six contests for the Panthers to earn a Pittsburgh letter...played tackle and tight end on offense and saw limited action—in two games—at defensive tackle, registering three total tackles. **High School:** Was a top two-way lineman for Valley High School...registered 138 tackles (63 solo), four sacks and two fumble recoveries as a junior...named to the 1995 *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22...named second-team High School All-American by the *USA Today*...selected first-team All-State as a senior...named High School All-American and ranked as the 56th high school prospect by *The National Recruiting Advisor*...selected first-team All-Greater Allegheny Conference as a junior and senior...was a 1994 first-team *Valley News Dispatch* All-Star offensive tackle selection as a junior...considered the No. 1 prep prospect in Western Pennsylvania...played in the prestigious BIG 33 Football Classic in Hershey...selected to the BIG EAST Super 25 team and was rated as the second-best offensive line prospect in All-Eastern Region by *BlueChip Illustrated*...named a member of the 1995 National *BlueChip Illustrated* Preseason All-America teams...named as one of *Street & Smith's* top 50 recruits in the country...was regarded one of the top 25 offensive line prospects in the country by *SuperPrep Magazine*...named to Tom Lemming's 1995 All-Amercian team...three-time football letterman at Valley High School for Coach Ray White...also rated second as a heavyweight in WPIAL wrestling (19-0)...earned four letters for wrestling and three for track...achieved a 3.80 GPA...was a member of the National Honor Society. **Personal:** Kopp has five brothers...Benjamin Jacob Kopp, born 8/22/77, is the son of the Rev. Dr. Robert and Leslie Kopp.

1997 Players

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Matt Lytle**

Junior*

QB/6-4/225

Wyomissing Hills, Pa.

Lytle will once again battle Pete Gonzalez for the starting quarterback position in 1997...ended spring drills in a virtual deadheat with Gonzalez after a late surge...fell slightly behind Gonzalez in the early portion of the spring...has a ballistic arm...is very elusive in the pocket and has good running ability...completed 13 of 22 pass attempts for 148 yards and one TD (with one interception)...enters the 1997 season with 1,549 career passing yards, which ranks 14th on Pittsburgh's all-time career list...sat out the 1994 season as a redshirt. **1996:** Started in nine games for the Panthers, including the final five contests...regained his starting position after Pete Gonzalez suffered a knee injury versus Temple...started for the first time in two games against Syracuse and never relinquished his position for the final five contests...finished the season with 1,249 passing yards, which rank 23rd on Pittsburgh's all-time single-season passing yardage list...completed 105 passes on 214 attempts (.491) and had eight TD passes...also threw six interceptions...compiled a 104.9 pass efficiency rating...had his best game of the season in the Panthers' victory versus Rutgers, completing 16 of 24 pass attempts for a career-high 279 yards with one TD and an interception...was instrumental in Pittsburgh's 53-52 come-from-behind victory against Temple in which he led the Panthers on three scoring drives to secure the victory...completed 12 of 20 pass attempts (.600) for 155 yards and two TDs (with no interceptions) in that contest...had six games in which he passed for 100 or more yards...rushed for a career-high 39 yards on 11 carries versus Virginia Tech, when he also passed for 194 yards...finished seventh in the Big East in total offense, averaging 125.9 yards a game. **1995:** Battled Gonzalez strongly throughout the season for the number-two quarterback position...started the final two games for Gonzalez, who supplanted starter John Ryan, after Gonzalez suffered a season-ending knee injury...played in a total of three games...performed admirably in his two starting appearances... completed 20 of 38 passes for 200 yards and one TD versus Syracuse...also was 17 of 29 for 99 yards in the season-finale against West Virginia...finished the season by completing 37 of 71 passes for 299 yards, one TD and four interceptions. **High School:** Named second-team All-State (small school) after passing for 1,187 yards as a senior...made the *USA Today* honorable mention All-American team...selected second-team All-America by *Blue Chip Illustrated* National College Recruiting Association...his high school team won two PIAA District III Football Championships and compiled a 30-5-1 record with Lytle as a starting quarterback...was the winning pitcher in the 1993 Pennsylvania East-West Legion All-Star Game...ranked 37th in *Baseball America's* top 100 high school baseball prospects during his senior year. **Personal:** Lytle is majoring in legal studies...has one brother and one sister...Matt Robert Lytle, born 9/4/75, is the son of Marshall and Cheryl Lytle.

Lytle's 1996 Game-By-Game Passing Statistics

G#	Passing	G/GS	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Ints.	Yards	TDs	Rating	Lg.
1	West Virginia	1/1	15	6	.400	1	68	0	64.7	19
2	Kent State	1/1	25	12	.480	0	125	2	116.4	24
3	Houston	1/1	24	9	.375	0	118	1	92.6	21
4	at Ohio State	1/1	10	3	.300	0	22	0	48.5	13
5	at Miami	0/0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0	–
6	Temple	1/0	20	12	.600	0	155	2	158.1	43t
7	at Syracuse	1/1	19	11	.579	1	39	1	81.9	24
8	at Va. Tech	1/1	34	14	.412	2	152	0	67.0	24
9	B. College	1/1	23	10	.435	0	194	1	128.6	24
10	Notre Dame	1/1	20	12	.600	1	97	0	90.7	17
11	Rutgers	1/1	24	16	.667	1	279	1	169.8	50
	Totals	**10/9**	**214**	**105**	**.491**	**6**	**1,249**	**8**	**104.9**	**50**
	Big East	***76/5***	***135***	***69***	***.511***	***5***	***887***	***5***	***111.1***	***50***

Lytle's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yards	Int.	TDs	Efficiency
1995	3/2	71	37	.521	299	4	1	80.9
1996	10/9	214	105	.491	1,249	6	8	104.9
TOTALS	**13/11**	**285**	**142**	**.498**	**1,548**	**10**	**9**	**98.9**

Junior Matt Lytle will once again challenge for the starting quarterback position.

1997 Players

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Jon Marzoch***

*Senior**
OL/6-3/275
McKeesport, Pa.

Marzoch has blossomed into a solid offensive lineman and begins his third year as a starter in 1997...was selected to the *College and Pro Football Weekly's* preseason All-Conference squad...has been one of the Panthers' most consistent and durable offensive linemen over the last two seasons...earned his first Pittsburgh letter in 1993 as a defensive lineman...has played mostly at guard on offense but could play center if needed...has excellent mobility and toughness..sat out the 1994 season as a redshirt...is a Bell Atlantic Scholar Athlete honoree. **1996:** Was the only Panther offensive lineman to start in every game during the 1996 season...played left guard. **1995:** Returned from his redshirt year in 1994 and developed into a durable frontline offensive lineman for the Panthers...started all 11 games at left guard and was one of Pitt's most consistent offensive linemen. **1993:** Earned his first letter at Pitt as a defensive lineman after moving from offense early in the season...finished the season with 14 total tackles, including nine solo stops...also recorded two sacks and forced a fumble...had his best game of the season against Miami, registering five solo tackles and one sack...also had a sack in the Rutgers game. **High School:** Was considered one of the top line prospects in the WPIAL in 1992...was an Associated Press All-State selection for Coach George Smith at McKeesport...also named to the WPIAL Quad East first-team All-Star squad...selected team MVP...helped pave the way for an offense that averaged 213 yards per game on the ground...selected to play in the prestigious Big 33 All-Star game...named to the *USA Today* honorable mention All-America list...was a two-year starter and a three-year letterman. **Personal:** Marzoch is majoring in social sciences...has two sisters...Jon Michael Marzoch, born 2/28/75, is the son of Diana Marzoch.

Senior Jon Marzoch has been one of Pitt's steadiest and most durable offensive linemen over the past two seasons.

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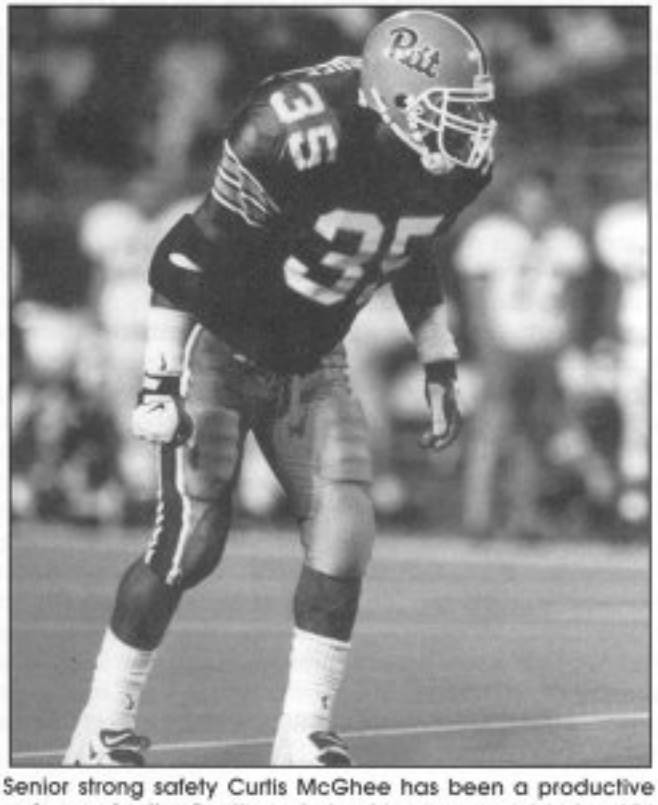
Trey McCray III*

*Sophomore**
DL/6-2/240
Sunrise, Fla.

McCray made excellent progess during the 1996 season and eventually worked his way into a starting role at right defensive end...is a relative newcomer to the sport of football...did not begin playing football until his senior year in high school...is a good athlete with a lot of potential...sat out the 1995 season as a redshirt. **1996:** Played in seven games for the Panthers and started the final two contests of the 1996 campaign...finished the season with six total tackles (two solo stops)...also recovered a fumble (versus Notre Dame) and was credited with one quarterback pressure...registered three of his six tackles in the final game of the year versus Rutgers. **High School:** Was an honorable mention Broward County All-Star... earned one letter for Coach Mike Counsel at Piper High School...also participated in basketball and was named the team's Most Valuable Player. **Personal:** McCray has one sister...is an FCC-licensed disc jockey...Embry McCray III, born 3/24/77, is the son of Embry Jr. and Shirley McCray.

McCray's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	7/2	0.0	1	0	0	2	4	0	6



Senior strong safety Curtis McGhee has been a productive peformer for the Panthers during his career, registering 124 tackles in three seasons.

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Curtis McGhee***

*Senior**
DB/5-11/180
Bridgeport, Ohio

A consummate team player, McGhee moved from safety to outside linebacker last year when injuries decimated that position...was having an excellent year at strong safety but moved to an unfamiliar postion to help the team...will move back to strong safety in 1997 and will give the Panthers some leadership and experienced depth in the secondary... is very versatile and can play either safety or cornerback...has 124 career tackles for the Panthers...has a knack for making big plays, especially in blitzing situations...has been an excellent special teams player for the Panthers and should contribute there in 1997...was awarded a scholarship in the spring of 1994. **1996:** Returned from reconstructive knee surgery in 1995 to produce a solid year in 1996...started all 11 games—the first five at strong safety and the final six at outside linebacker...finished as the team's leading tackler, registering 86 total tackles, including a team-high 56 solo stops...also was credited with three pass deflections, a tackle for a loss, one sack and one interception...registered his first—and only—career interception in the Kent State game and returned it 11 yards...recorded four double-digit tackle performances, including a 14-tackle effort in the Virginia Tech game in which he had 10 solo stops...also had 12 total tackles in each the West Virginia and Boston College contests...registered his only sack of the season versus Boston College. **1995:** Missed the entire season following reconstructive knee surgery. **1994:** Played in nine games for the Panthers and started in three contests, playing both cornerback and safety...missed the Louisville and Syracuse contests because of a sprained knee...finished the season with 34 total tackles, including 25 solo stops and six tackles for losses...also had five quarterback pressures...registered the first sack of his Pittsburgh career in the season-opener versus Texas...recorded a season-high seven tackles against Temple, including a tackle for a loss. **1993:** Earned his first letter after joining the team just prior to the beginning of fall camp...played mostly on special teams, registering four tackles. **High School:** Was a four-year letterman for Coach Jim Thomas at Wheeling (W.Va.) Central Catholic...earned All-Star honors in football...also was a three-year letterwinner in both basketball and baseball. **Personal:** McGhee is majoring in administration of justice...has two brothers...Curtis Casvell McGhee, born 6/11/75, is the son of Curtis Sr. and Shelia McGhee.

McGhee's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1993	8/2	0.0	0	0	0	2	2	0	4
1994	9/3	1.0	0	0	0	25	9	6	34
1995	0/0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	11/11	1.0	0	3	1	56	30	1	86
TOTALS	**28/16**	**2.0**	**0**	**3**	**1**	**83**	**41**	**7**	**124**

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Kirk McMullen*

*Sophomore**
TE/6-4/240
Imperial, PA

McMullen has developed into a solid prospect during the past two years and could surface as an integral part of the Panthers' offense in 1997...is a fine run blocking tight end who has worked hard to develop his receiving skills...is coming off an excellent Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring, catching a team-high five passes for 38 yards...has excellent athletic ability and is one of the strongest players on the team...sat out the 1994 season as a redshirt that allowed him to develop physically and learn the offense...has good hands for his size and has the ability to be more than just a blocking tight end...will also compete for the team's starting long snapper duties. **1996:** Played in all 11 games for the Panthers and started in four contests...finished the season with nine receptions for 158 yards, including a 50-yarder in the Rutgers contest...had three receptions for 78 yards, both career highs, in that game...also had two catches in each of the Kent State and Notre Dame contests...was named the offensive recipient of the Ed Conway Memorial Award, presented annually to the most improved offensive and defensive players of spring drills. **High School:** Was three-year letterman for Coach Terry George at West Allegheny High School...earned All-Section honors in football and basketball his senior year...was a three-year letterwinner in basketball. **Personal:** McMullen is majoring in special education...has one brother and one sister...Kirk Lawrence McMullen, born 7/19/77, is the son of Tom and Roberta McMullen.

McMullen's Career Statistics:

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	11/4	9	158	17.6	50	0	0

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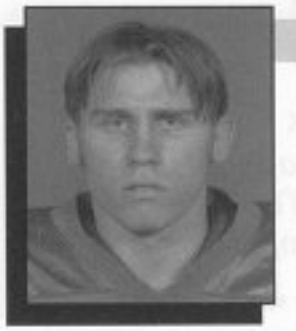

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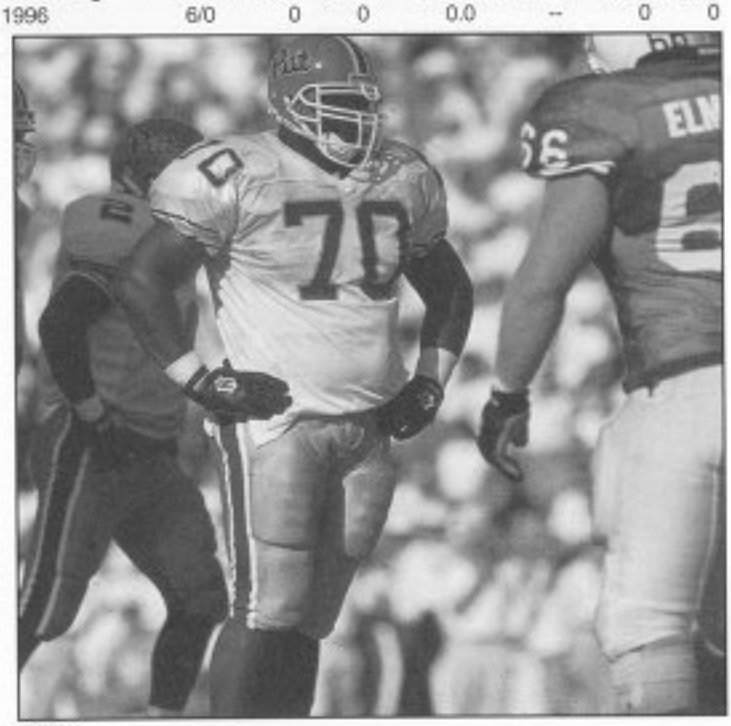
Andy Molinaro*

Sophomore
WR/6-1/200
Washington, Pa.

Molinaro gained valuable game experience in 1996...missed a lot of practice time this past spring because of a concussion...is one of the most sure-handed receivers on the team...could be a solid contributor to the Panther offense in 1997. **1996:** Played in the Panthers' first six games of the season to earn his first Pittsburgh letter...did not catch a pass in his limited playing time. **High School:** Was one of the most prolific receivers in the WPIAL the final two years of his career...set a single-season record at Washington High School with 60 receptions for 1,284 yards as a senior...caught 48 passes for 844 yards as a junior...runs the 40-yard dash in 4.6 seconds...is Washington's all-time leader in receptions (131), receiving yards (2,341 yards), and interceptions (19)...had nine interceptions as a junior and six as a sophomore...named first-team All-State...played in the prestigious Big 33 Football Classic at Hershey...named honorable mention All-Eastern Region by *BlueChip Illustrated*...was a first-team All-Three Rivers Conference selection at wide receiver and defensive back...was a three-time letterman for Coach Guy Montecalvo...also received letters in baseball (3), basketball (3) and track (2)...was an honor roll student...enjoys basketball, tennis and weightlifting...plans to study journalism. **Personal:** Molinaro has one brother and sister...Andrew David Molinaro, born 8/28/77, is the son of George and Patricia Molinaro.

Molinaro's Career Statistics:

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	6/0	0	0	0.0	--	0	0



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Frank Moore**

Senior
DL/6-2/300
Cape May Court House, N.J.

Moore showed good improvement during drills this past spring and is seemingly poised for a very good senior campaign...never quite regained total form in 1996 after returning from reconstructive knee surgery...suffered the injury the day before spring drills began in 1996 during a pickup basketball game...has excellent overall athletic ability...is extremely quick for his size and has the strength to battle inside...has improved his strength and explosiveness significantly since arriving at Pittsburgh...is a Bell Atlantic Scholar Athlete honoree. **1996:** Began the year at starting right tackle...was replaced by then freshman Demond Gibson and never regained his starting role...played in all 11 games...finished the season with 16 total tackles, including five solo stops. **1995:** Played in all 11 games for the Panthers to earn his second letter...finished the season with 11 tackles, including eight solo stops...had the first sack of his career versus Eastern Michigan...was credited with a pass deflection in the Texas contest. **1994:** Played in nine games for the Panthers as a reserve defensive lineman...registered three solo tackles. **High School:** Was selected as a first-team All-Conference offensive tackle and first-team South Jersey at defensive tackle...was a three-year letterman for Coach Frank Riggitano at Middle Township High School...also earned third-team All-State honors at defensive tackle...received three letters in track and was the state champion in the discus...selected *Cape May Gazette Reader's* track Athlete of the Year in his junior year. **Personal:** Moore is majoring in economics...has five brothers and two sisters...Frank Lewis Moore, born 3/15/76, is the son of Frank and Karen Moore.

Moore's Career Statistics:

	G	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1994	9/0	0.0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
1995	11/0	1.0	0	1	0	8	3	0	11
1996	11/1	0.0	0	0	0	5	11	0	16
TOTALS	**31/1**	**1.0**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**16**	**14**	**0**	**30**

Senior defensive tackle Frank Moore is coming off a strong spring and appears poised for an excellent 1997 campaign.

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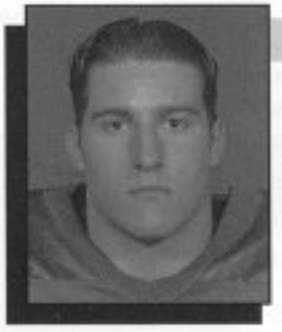
Tony Orlandini***

Senior
OL/6-5/295
West Wyoming, PA

Orlandini will once again be an integral part of the Panthers' offensive front in 1997...has been hampered by knee injuries through his career...has, nonetheless, developed into a top offensive lineman and could surface as an All-Star candidate for the Panthers...displays an outstanding work ethic and will be expected to provide leadership for the offensive unit...has excellent quickness and speed for his size...is also one of the Panthers' strongest players...sat out the 1993 season while recuperating from a serious knee injury that required a ligament transplant...enrolled at Pittsburgh in January 1994 and was eligible to participate in spring drills that year...is an excellent student...is a two-time selection to the Big East All-Academic football team and is a Bell Atlantic Scholar Athlete honoree. **1996:** Started in nine games for the Panthers, switching between left and right tackle...played the first five contests at left tackle and then started the ensuing four games on the right side...missed Pittsburgh's final two contests because of a sprained knee. **1995:** Had an excellent season for the Panthers in his first year as a full-time starter, despite missing two games (Virginia Tech and Boston College) because of a knee injury...started in nine of Pitt's 11 games...registered 39 intimidation ("pancake") blocks and compiled a 77 blocking percentage...was selected to the District II GTE/CoSIDA Academic All-America team. **1994:** Played in 10 of 11 games and started in three contests to earn his first Pitt letter...played most of the season as a backup right tackle...was named to the 1994 Big East Football All-Academic team. **High School:** Anchored the line for an offense that averaged 300 yards rushing per game during his senior year...was a first-team All-Conference and All-Scholastic selection...played on District 2-AA state championship team...won three varsity letters in football and also earned letters in wrestling and track...was a recipient of the PIAA District II Scholar-Athlete Award. **Personal:** Orlandini is majoring in natural sciences...has a brother and a sister.....his brother Roger was an offensive tackle at Eastern Kentucky and served as a EKU co-captain... Anthony John Orlandini, born 8/13/75, is the son of Roger and Connie Orlandini.

Senior Tony Orlandini will be a key component on the offensive front in 1997.



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John Parker*

Sophomore
LS/6-1/210
Berwick, Pa.

Parker joined the Panthers just prior to the 1996 season and served a valuable role as the team's long snapper...will begin the 1997 season as Pittsburgh's starting long snapper for punts...had just three bad snaps in 73 punt attempts during the 1996 season. **High School:** Was a three-year letterman for Coach George Curry at Berwick High School...played on two state football championship and one mythical national championship team (in 1995)...also served as a blocking wing back. **Personal:** Parker has one sister...John Beach Parker, born 4/18/78, is the son of John and Beverly Parker.

Parker's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum.	Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1996	11/0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2

1997 Players

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Kenny Pegram*

Junior*

DL/6-2/285

Washington, D.C.

Pegram should be a regular contributor along the defensive front in 1997...has excellent mobility for his size...also has good strength. **1996:** Thurst into the starting lineup because of a season-ending knee injury suffered by Mike Mohring...started the final six games of the season at left tackle...registered 15 total tackles in 1996, including seven solo stops...also had one tackle for a loss...had a career-high four tackles in the season-finale versus Rutgers. **1995:** Played in 10 of Pittsburgh's 11 games to earn his first Pitt letter...registered four total tackles, including three solo stops...also recovered a fumble (versus Syracuse) and had one tackle for a loss. **High School:** Was a three-year letterman for Coach Maus Collins at Gonzaga High School... selected WCAC first-team All-Conference and to the *Washington Post's* All-Met team...also earned honorable mention All-Met honors for two years in track...ranked as one of the Top 20 defensive linemen in *SuperPrep* magazine... selected to *Street and Smith's* preseason All-American squad...also was a four-year letterman in track and field. **Personal:** Pegram is majoring in business...has one brother...Kenny Nelson Pegram, born 3/27/76, is the son of Annie Pegram.

Pegram's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1995	10/0	0.0	1	0	0	3	1	1.0	4
1996	11/6	0.0	0	0	0	7	8	1.0	15
TOTALS	**21/6**	**0.0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**10**	**9**	**2.0**	**19**

18

Melvin Porter

Freshman*

WR/5-9/150

Shreveport, LA

Porter is an extremely quick wide receiver who could challenge for playing time at receiver in 1996...started off slowly this past spring but had a solid performance in the Blue-Gold scrimmage, catching three passes for 57 yards and one TD, a nine-yard pass from Matt Lytle...also had a 39-yard reception...sat out the 1996 season as a redshirt. **High School:** Named first-team All-District I-AAAAA...had more than 700 yards receiving and 15 TDs as a senior...helped lead Fair Park High School to a 7-3 record and finish as the District runner-up...received three letters for Coach Husher Calhoun...also was a four-time letterman in track and was a state qualifier with a time of 10.7 seconds in the 100-meters... received three letters for baseball and one for basketball...was an honor roll student. **Personal:** Porter is majoring in pre-busines...has two brothers and two sisters...Melvin Ray Porter Jr., born 1/26/77, is the son of Melvin Sr. and June Porter.

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Hank Poteat*

Sophomore

RB/5-11/185

Harrisburg, Pa.

Poteat showed excellent potential in 1996...began the season in the defensive secondary to help solidify a very thin group of cornerbacks...moved back to running back later in the season and spent the final five games of the season there...also developed into a solid kick and punt return man...is very elusive and will add quality depth to the running back position...originally signed with Pittsburgh in 1995...attended Maine Central Institute for one year. **1996:** Served as a valuable and versatile performer for the Panthers, playing on both sides of the ball and on special teams...finished the season with seven total tackles, including six solo stops...also rushed for 88 yards on 20 carries, averaging 11 yards a game...had two receptions for six yards...finished third in the Big East and 17th in the country in kickoff returns, averaging 26.2 yards a return (445 yards on 17 returns)...had a career-long 46-yard kickoff return against Miami...also returned three punts for 17 yards, a respectable 6.0-yard average. **High School:** Was a two-time All-Conference performer on offense and defense at Harrisburg High School...was named as a *BlueChip Illustrated* Preseason All-American...selected as a Reebok "Elite 100" Preseason All-American...named to *Street and Smith's* preseason All-American team prior to his senior year...was a team captain during his senior season at Harrisburg High School...earned four football letters for Coach Earl Mosley...also was a three-year letterman in track and basketball...was a member of the National Honor Society...attended Maine Central Institute prep school in 1995...played five games at Maine Central before suffering a season-ending ankle injury...was named to *The National Recruiting Advisor's* Top 10 prep school list. **Personal:** Poteat is majoring in pre-education...has four sisters...Henry Major Poteat, born 8/30/77, is the son of Dr. H. Major and Jacqueline Poteat.

Poteat's Career Statistics:

Rushing	G/GS	Att.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	8/0	30	88	11.0	10	0	0

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	8/0	6	47	7.8	14	0	0

Kickoff Returns	Returns	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs
1996	17	445	26.2	46	0

1996 Players

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Timothy Robertson

Freshman*

TE/6-4/235

East Orange, N.J.

Robertson could be a welcome addition to the 1997 Panthers after sitting out his freshman campain in 1996 as a redshirt...has excellent size and good potential...could see some playing time on special teams. **High School:** Selected second-team All-County at Essex Catholic High School...was a first-team All-Northern Hills Conference pick...was selected by the league coaches as the No. 1 offensive lineman in the Northern Hills Conference...named first-team All-Oranges...served as a team captain during his senior year...earned three letters in football for Coach Larry Schumacher... also lettered in track, basketball and tennis...was a member of the National Honor Society. **Personal:** Robertson has three brothers...one of his hobbies is writing poetry...Timothy John Robertson, born 8/8/78, is the son of Troy and Clara Robertson.

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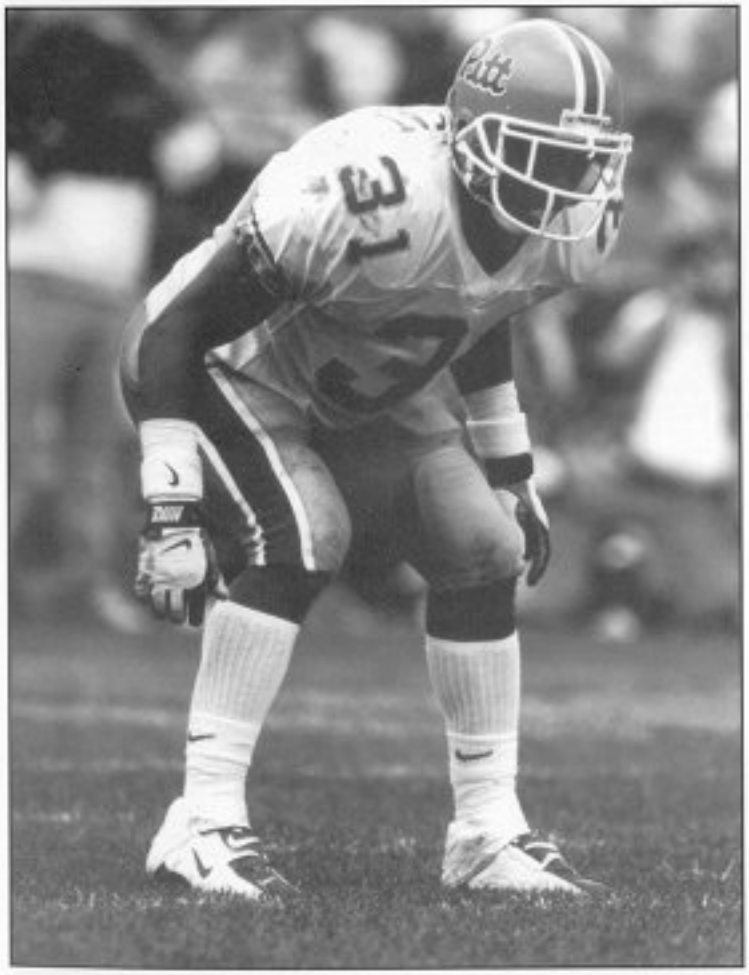
Calvin Robinson

Freshman*

DL/6-3/285

Dayton, Ohio

Robinson made good progress during spring drills and could be a key contributor along the defensive front in 1997...sat out his freshman year as a redshirt. **High School:** Registered 13 sacks as a senior at Meadowdale High School...selected first-team All-State Division I (Ohio's Largest classification)...earned All-League honors as a sophomore, junior and senior...named first-team All-League, All-Area and All-State as a senior...received three letters in football for Coach Bosic Miliner...also lettered twice in basketball...was an honor roll student. **Personal:** Robinson is majoring in pre-law...has two brothers...Calvin Dean Robinson Jr., born 3/15/78, is the son of Calvin D. Robinson Sr.



After helping the defensive secondary at the beginning of the season, Hank Poteat moved back to running back the latter part of the season and was a productive all-purpose back for the Panthers in 1996.

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Paul Ruzila

Freshman*

PK/5-10/165

Great Falls, Va.

Ruzila joined the Panthers last fall as a walk-on punter and placekicker...was a top soccer player in Virginia and turned down several Division I soccer scholarships...will challenge incumbent starter Chris Ferencik for the starting placekicking duties...sat out the 1996 season as a redshirt. **High School:** Was a three-year football letterman for Coach Bil Renner at Langley High School...also was a standout soccer player and lettered four years in that sport...earned three letters for basketball. **Personal:** Ruzila has one brother...Paul Andrew Ruzila, born 9/27/77, is the son of Michael and Justina Ruzila.

1997 Players

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Chris Schneider**

Junior*

FB/6-1/240

Trafford, Pa.

Schneider was having one of his most productive seasons until suffering a season-ending knee injury on the first play of the game against Virginia Tech...had knee surgery last November and did not participate in any practice drills this spring while rehabilitating...should be 100 percent by fall camp...is a bruising runner with good quickness and agility...also has excellent hands and can be a receiving threat out of the backfield...sat out the 1994 season as a redshirt. **1996:** Was off to a fine season before surffering his knee injury...played in eight games and started six (the two were because of formation)...rushed for 83 yards and two TDs on 25 carries...also had 10 receptions for 47 yards...produced his best game of the season against Kent State, rushing for 44 yards and one touchdown on 10 carries...had a career-long run of 16 yards in the Houston contest...collected three receptions in both the Ohio State and Syracuse games. **1995:** Developed into a solid fullback for the Panthers in his first year as a starter...started in all 11 games for Pittsburgh...really came on toward the end of the season, rushing for 98 yards in Pitt's final two games, including his season-high 86-yard performance in the season-finale against rival West Virginia...also caught a career-high nine passes in that game for 27 yards...finished the season with 155 yards on 53 carries, a 2.9-yard average...had 15 receptions for 68 yards...was thrown for losses only twice all season that totaled just minus-two yards...scored his first career touchdown on a 10-yard pass versus Eastern Michigan...had five TDs during the season and tied for third on the team in scoring with 30 points. **High School:** Averaged 10 yards per carry and scored 23 TDs in his senior year at Penn-Trafford, where he amassed 3,940 career yards and 74 career TDs...was selected first-team All-State by the Associated Press...named an honorable mention All-American by *USA Today*...selected to the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22 team...was a three-year All-Conference selection...named to *Blue Chip Illustrated's* preseason All-America team...was a four-year letterman for Coach John Yaccino...selected to WPXI-TV's Fabulous 25 team...was a team captain and voted the team MVP...selected to the *Tribune-Review's* first-team All-Star squad at running back...was selected Player of the Year by the *Murrysville Star*...named to Tom Lemming's Top 50 Eastern players list...lettered four years in basketball and three years in baseball...was a two-year basketball co-captain. **Personal:** Schneider is majoring in communications...has two sisters...was a high school teammate of Panther sophomore quarterback Tony Zimmerman...Christopher Martin Schneider, born 8/26/75, is the son of Martin and Donna Schneider.

Schneider's Career Statistics:

Rushing	G/GS	Att.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1995	11/11	53	155	2.9	14	4	24
1996	8/6	25	83	3.3	16	2	12
TOTALS	**19/17**	**78**	**238**	**3.1**	**16**	**6**	**36**

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1995	11/11	15	68	4.5	10t	1	6
1996	8/6	10	47	4.7	13	0	0
TOTALS	**19/17**	**25**	**115**	**4.6**	**13**	**1**	**6**

Schneider's 1996 Game-By-Game Rushing Statistics

#	Rushing	GP/GS	CAR	GAIN	LOSS	NET	/GM	/CAR	TD	LP
1	WEST VA.	1/1	4	3	2	1	1.0	0.3	0	2
2	KENT STATE	1/1	10	44	0	44	44.0	4.4	1	9t
3	HOUSTON	1/0	4	27	1	26	26.0	6.5	1	16
4	at Ohio State	1/0	2	0	2	-2	-2.0	--	-	-2
5	at Miami	1/1	3	10	0	10	10.0	3.3	0	9
6	TEMPLE	1/1	1	5	0	5	5.0	5.0	0	5
7	at Syracuse	1/1	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	--	-	-1
8	at Virginia Tech	1/1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	--
	Totals	**8/6**	**25**	**89**	**6**	**83**	**10.4**	**3.3**	**2**	**16**
	Big East	**5/5**	**9**	**18**	**3**	**15**	**3.0**	**1.7**	**0**	**9**

Schneider's 1996 Receiving Statistics

#	Receiving	GP/GS	RECPT	YARDS	AVG	LG	TD
1	WEST VA.	1/1	0	0	0.0	--	0
2	KENT STATE	1/1	1	6	6.0	6	0
3	HOUSTON	1/0	0	0	0.0	--	0
4	at Ohio State	1/0	3	20	6.7	13	0
5	at Miami	1/1	2	13	6.5	7	0
6	TEMPLE	1/1	1	-1	--	-1	0
7	at Syracuse	1/1	3	9	3.0	7	0
8	at Virginia Tech	1/1	0	0	0.0	--	0
	Totals	**8/6**	**10**	**47**	**4.7**	**13**	**0**
	Big East	**5/5**	**6**	**21**	**3.5**	**7**	**0**

Schneider's 1995 Game-By-Game Rushing Statistics

#	Rushing	GP/GS	CAR	GAIN	LOSS	NET	/GM	/CAR	TD	LP
1	WASH. ST.	1/1	2	1	0	1	1.0	.5	0	1
2	E. MICHIGAN	1/1	4	14	0	14	14.0	3.5	0	4
3	at Texas	1/1	2	5	0	5	5.0	2.5	1	4
4	OHIO STATE	1/1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	--
5	VA.TECH	1/1	2	3	0	3	3.0	1.5	1	2
6	at B. College	1/1	1	0	1	-1	-1.0	---	0	-1
7	at Temple	1/1	8	15	1	14	14.0	1.8	2	4
8	MIAMI	1/1	7	21	0	21	21.0	3.0	0	7
9	at Rutgers	1/1	0	0	0	0	0.0	--	0	--
10	SYRACUSE	1/1	5	12	0	12	12.0	2.4	0	5
11	at W. Virginia	1/1	22	86	0	86	86.0	3.9	0	14
	Totals	**11/11**	**53**	**157**	**2**	**155**	**14.1**	**2.9**	**4**	**14**
	Big East	***7/7***	***45***	***137***	***2***	***135***	***19.3***	***3.0***	***3***	***14***

1997 Players

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Dwayne Schulters*

Senior

RB/5-7/180

Brooklyn, N.Y.

Schulters burst onto the Pittsburgh scene in 1996 and emerged as one of the top running backs in the Big East Conference...gave the Panthers a powerful one-two punch at running back along with Billy West...developed into a very productive all-purpose back and kick returner...is a tough runner with excellent quickness and acceleration...has a low center of gravity which makes him tough to tackle...possesses excellent speed...had another impressive spring and will be hard to unseat as the starting running back in 1997...rushed for 46 yards and one touchdown on four carries in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring...also caught four passes for 29 yards...transferred from Nassau Community College in January of 1996, which made him eligible for drills in the ensuing spring season of 1996. **1996:** Produced an excellent season in 1996 and eventually moved ahead of Billy West as the starting running back...started in five games, including the final four contests...missed two contests (Ohio State and Miami) because of an ankle injury...finished the season with 555 rushing yards on 117...averaged 4.7 and 61.4 yards a game, which ranked sixth in the Big East...also finished fifth in the Big East in scoring with a team-high 60 points (10 TDs), an average of 6.67 points a game...had four receptions for 21 yards...compiled 100 or more yards in two contests, rushing for 107 on 12 carries versus Temple and 117 yards on 27 carries in Pittsburgh's victory against Boston College...just missed a third 100-yard performance in the Kent State contest in which he rushed for 98 yards on 14 carries...scored at least two TDs in four different games...was among the top five in the Big East in kickoff returns, ranking fifth with a 24.9 average (268 yards on 11 returns)...had a season-long 43-yard return in the Kent State contest. **1995 (Junior College):** Rushed for 751 yards and 13 TDs at Nassau (N.Y.) Community College. **High School:** Played for Coach Mike Camardese at Canarsie High School in Brooklyn...was selected as the coach's MVP his senior year...earned second-team All-State honors...also was a three-time *New York Newsday* and *Daily News* All-Star...was a high school teammate of Panther linebacker Ernest Coakley. **Personal:** Schulters has three brothers and one sister...his brother, Lance, is a standout free safety at Hofstra University...Phillip Dwayne Schulters, born 1/8/74, is the son of Philip and Rosemary Schulters.

Schulters' 1996 Rushing Game-By-Game Statistics

#	Rushing	GP/GS	CAR	GAIN	LOSS	NET	/GM	/CAR	TD	LP
1	WEST VA.	1/0	2	6	0	6	6.0	3.0	0	6
2	KENT STATE	1/0	14	98	0	98	98.0	7.0	2	22
3	HOUSTON	1/0	13	74	1	73	73.0	5.6	2	22
4	at Ohio State	0/0			DNP					
5	at Miami	0/0			DNP					
6	TEMPLE	1/1	12	107	0	107	107.0	8.9	1	67
7	at Syracuse	1/0	11	51	3	48	48.0	4.4	0	17
8	at Virginia Tech	1/1	13	45	7	38	38.0	2.9	1	7
9	B. COLLEGE	1/1	27	128	11	117	117.0	4.3	2	27
10	at Notre Dame	1/1	13	55	10	45	45.0	3.5	0	25
11	RUTGERS	1/1	12	39	16	23	23.0	1.9	2	9
	Totals	**9/5**	**117**	**603**	**48**	**555**	**61.7**	**4.7**	**10**	**67**
	Big East	***5/5***	***9***	***18***	***3***	***15***	***3.0***	***1.7***	***0***	***9***

Schulters' 1996 Receiving Statistics

#	Receiving	GP/GS	RECPT	YARDS	AVG	LG	TD
1	WEST VA.	1/0	0	0	0.0	--	0
2	KENT STATE	1/1	0	0	0.0	--	0
3	HOUSTON	1/0	1	9	9.0	9	0
4	at Ohio State	0/0			DNP		
5	at Miami	0/0			DNP		
6	TEMPLE	1/1	1	0	0.0	--	0
7	at Syracuse	1/0	1	2	2.0	2	0
8	at Virginia Tech	1/1	0	0	0.0	--	0
9	B. COLLEGE	1/1	1	10	10.0	10	0
10	at Notre Dame	1/1	0	0	0.0	--	0
11	RUTGERS	1/1	0	0	0.0	--	-
	Totals	**9/5**	**4**	**21**	**5.3**	**10**	**0**
	Big East	***6/4***	***3***	***12***	***4.0***	***10***	***0***

Senior Dwayne Schulters emerged as one of the top running backs in the Big East Conference and a perfect complement to Billy West.

Schneider's Career Statistics:

Rushing	G/GS	Att.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	9/5	117	555	4.7	67	10	60

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	9/5	4	21	5.3	10	0	0

Kickoff Returns	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs
1996	11	268	24.4	43	0

1997 Players

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Mike Schultz**

*Junior**
OL/6-5/325
Hampton, Va.

Schultz logged the most significant playing time of his Pittsburgh career last year...will give the Panthers some experienced depth at the offensive tackle positions...played mostly on the right side in 1996 but will begin the 1997 season at left tackle...has excellent size ...is an Athletic Director's honor roll and Pitt honor roll student...is a Bell Atlantic Scholar-Athlete honoree. **1996:** Began the season as a starter at right tackle...started the first four games...played in eight contests. **1995:** Earned his first Pittsburgh letter as a reserve offensive lineman. **High School:** Played on the 1992 high school championship team at Bethel High School in Virginia...named second-team Peninsula All-District...was a two-year starter for Coach Dennis Kozlowski...was recipient of the academic excellence award for three years...named student of the month in May 1993. **Personal:** Schultz is majoring in film studies...Michael Allen Schultz, born 11/28/75, is the son of Cynthia D. Schultz.

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Jason Sepkowski**

*Senior**
OL/6-2/280
Moscow, Pa.

Sepkowski is a veteran and versatile offensive lineman who will add depth to Pittsburgh offensive front during the 1997 season...played mostly at guard early in his career but will challenge for the starting center position in 1997...has accumulated most of his playing time during his career on field-goal and extra-point protection units...is an Athletic Director's Honor Roll student...also is a Bell Atlantic Scholar-Athlete honoree...was named to the 1995 Big East Football All-Academic team...sat out his freshman season in 1993 as a redshirt. **1996:** Earned his second letter as a reserve offensive lineman...played at both center and guard. **1995:** Earned his first Pitt letter as a reserve offensive lineman. **High School:** Was a second-team All-State player at North Pocono High School during his senior year...also selected first-team All-Region and All-Conference as a junior and a senior...won the Hookey Reap Award as the county's most outstanding lineman...earned first-team All-Conference honors as shotput performer...won three letters in football for Coach Nick Donato...also was a two-year letterman in track...was a member of his school's National Honor Society...played in the 1992 Dream Game All-Star game, held in 1992. **Personal:** Sepkowski is majoring in history...has one brother...Jason J. Sepkowski, born 12/22/74, is the son of Henry and Carol Sepkowski.

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Jason Soboleski*

*Senior**
DL/6-3/260
Berwick, Pa.

Soboleski received the most playing time of his career in 1996...has played several positions throughout his Pittsburgh career but has settled in at defensive end the past two seasons...is projected as the starting right defensive end heading into fall camp...sat out his freshman year in 1993 as a redshirt. **1996:** Played in 10 games for the Panthers and started in one contest...made the first—and only—start of his career versus Ohio State across from Outland and Lombardi Trophy winner Orlando Pace...finished the season with 10 total tackles, including six solos stops...also registered a sack (versus Kent State) and two tackles for losses. **1995:** Played in three games as a reserve defensive end. **1994:** Played in three games for the Panthers and registered three solo tackles...recorded his first career sack in the Rutgers game. **High School:** Helped lead his Berwick team to an undefeated season, winning the *USA Today's* High School National Championship...named Associated Press first-team All-State...recorded 81 tackles and nine sacks as a senior...played in the prestigious Big 33 Classic All-Star game...was an honorable mention All-American by *USA Today*...named the *Wilkes-Barre Times* Defensive Player of the Year...was the recipient of the prestigious Carmen Paulino Award...was a three-year letterman for Coach George Curry. **Personal:** Soboleski is majoring in social sciences...has four brothers...Jason Matthew Soboleski, born 1/27/75, is the son of Stanley and Joyce Soboleski.

Soboleski's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1994	3/0	1.0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
1995	3/0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	10/1	1.0	0	0	0	6	4	2	10
TOTALS	**16/1**	**2.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**9**	**4**	**2**	**13**

1997 Players

Tim Stein

Freshman*
WR/5-8/165
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Stein joined the Panthers this past spring as a walk-on and impressed the Pittsburgh coaching staff with his work ethic, desire and tenacity...has very good hands and runs disciplined pass routes...caught two passes for 17 yards in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring...will be a solid role player for the Panthers. **High School:** Was an All-Conference defensive back for Jim Render at Upper St. Clair...lettered one year in football and one year in baseball...was a standout student and was a High Honor Roll student. **Personal:** Stein has two brothers...Timothy K. Stein, born 3/29/78, is the son of Robert and Sandra Stein.

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Reggie Thomas***

Senior*
OL/6-5/275
Humble, Texas

Crafty and experienced, Thomas will man the fourth position of his Pittsburgh career and is projected as the Panthers' starting right guard in 1997...has played virtually every position along the offensive line...made his most recent move from center to right guard this past spring and responsed superbly...has been the Panthers' starting center for most of the past three seasons...has excellent athletic ability for his size and is an outstanding technician...has started in 30 of Pitt's 33 total games over the past three years...has played both guard and tackle during his Pitt career...worked at tackle in 1993 and was Pittburgh's starting left guard in 1994...sat out his freshman year in 1993 as a redshirt. **1996:** Played in 10 of Pittsburgh's 11 games in 1996, missing only the Ohio State because of a knee sprain... began the 1996 season as the starting center but moved to right tackle in the middle of the season...moved back to center the final two games due to an injury to Andrew Grischow...started six games at center and four at right tackle. **1995:** Started in nine of Pitt's 11 games, missing two contests because of a knee injury. **1994:** Started in all 11 games to earn his first Pitt letter...was a solid performer on an offensive line that included All-America tackle Ruben Brown and four-year starting center Lawson Mollica...was a key component in the offense that produced the Big East Offensive Player of the Year and leading rusher (Billy West). **High School:** Received honorable mention All-District honors for Coach Neal Quillan at Humble High School...was a Schutt Sports Group honorable mention All-American...earned two letters in football. **Personal:** Thomas is majoring in economics...has one sister...Reggie Burrel Thomas, born 12/14/75, is the son of Burrel and Anthonette Thomas.

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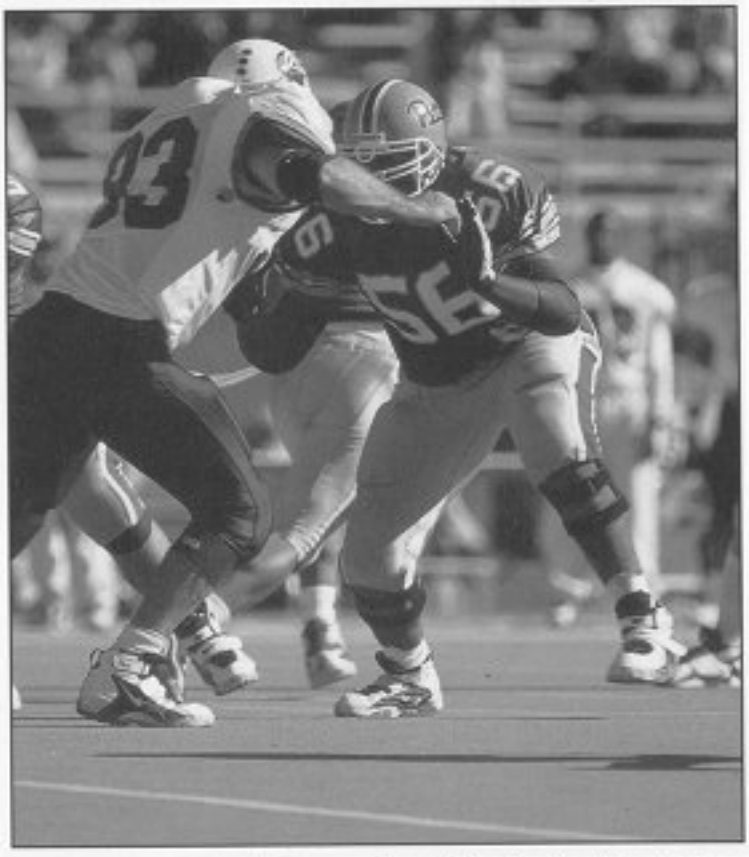
Karim Thompson*

Sophomore*
DB/5-11/195
Roanoke, Va.

Thompson was developing nicely at running back but switched to the defensive side of the ball when a shortage surfaced at linebacker ...was moved to free safety this past spring and performed solidly...is projected as the starting free safety heading into fall camp...has been hampered during his career by injuries...joined the Panthers just before the start of fall camp in 1995 to add some depth to the Panthers running back corps...suffered a serious hand injury early in camp that required season-ending surgery...returned to active duty in the spring of 1996 and was moved to fullback. **1996:** Played in eight games for the Panthers to earn his first Pittsburgh letter...had three carries for four yards and registered four tackles...also was credited with one tackle for a loss. **High School:** Was a three-sport athlete at North Side High School...earned four football letters for Coach Jim Hicham...received the Most Athletic award during his senior year...earned three letters for basketball and four for track. **Personal:** Thompson has one sister...Karim Rasool Thompson, born 7/19/77, is the son of Andrea and the late Robert Thompson.



Three-year starter Reggie Thomas is one of the Panthers' top returning offensive linemen in 1997.

1997 Players

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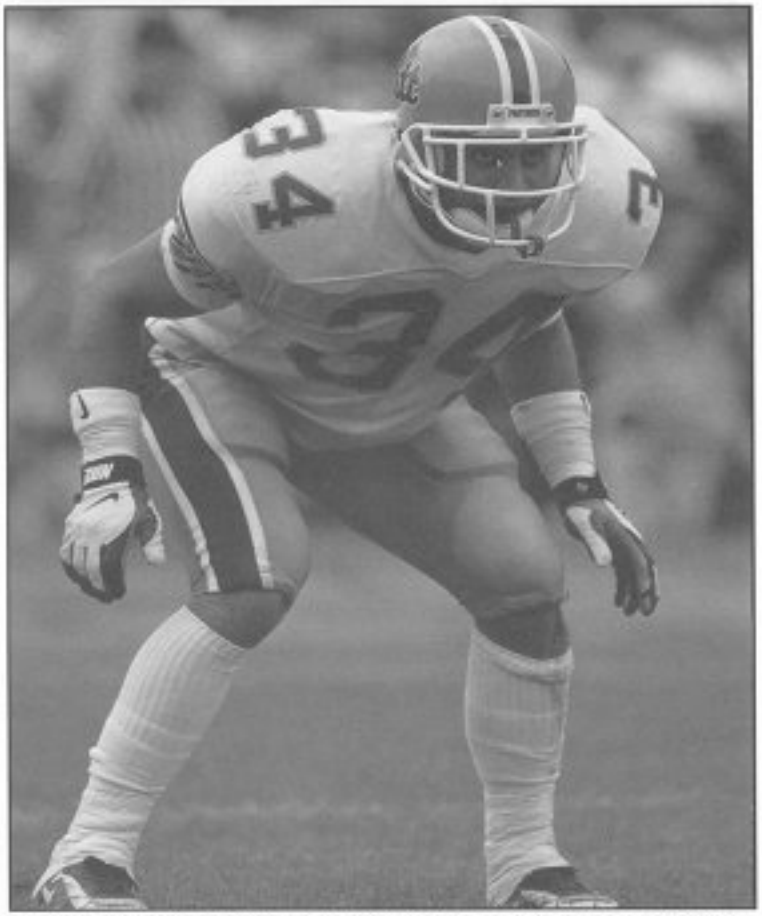
Tony Thompson

Freshman*

FB/5-11/235

Monaca, Pa.

Sitting out the 1996 season as freshman reddhirt,Thompson was progressing nicely until he suffered a fractured (left) leg in the final week of the season (Nov. 20)...did not participate in contact drills this past spring while recuperating from the injury...could be a valuable addition for the Panthers in 1997 to help fortify a very thin fullback position. **High School:** Rushed for 1,153 yards during his senior year at Center High School...named to the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22...selected as an honorable mention All-Eastern Region running back by *BlueChip Illustrated*...played in the Austin Foundation All-Star game in October 1995...named All-East by *The National Recruiting Advisor*....broke a 13-year-old school record by rushing for 1,000 yards as a junior...selected to play in the prestigious BIG 33 Football Classic in Hershey...was a four-year letterman for Coach Don Phillips...also lettered three times in basketball and once in track...was an honor roll student. **Personal:** Thompson has two sisters...Lawrence Anthony Thompson, born 12/15/77, is the son of Lawrence and Grace Thompson.



Junior E.C. Varoutsos will move from the secondary to linebacker in 1997.

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E.C. Varoutsos**

Junior*

LB/6-0/195

Montreal, Quebec, Canada

Varoutsos will move to a new position in 1997 from the defensive secondary to outside linebacker...was moved to linebacker during spring drills and developed solidly...will begin fall camp as the projected starter at the weakside linebacker position...should also serve on several special teams...has played both cornerback and safety during his Pittsburgh career...spent the 1994 season adjusting to the American style of football...enrolled at Pitt during the 1994 spring semester and participated in spring drills...worked with the Canadian National Bobsled team to develop his speed prior to arriving at Pitt...sat out the 1994 season as redshirt. **1996:** Was a solid contributor for the Panthers as a key backup and part-time starter...started Pittsburgh's final four games of the season, one at strong safety and the last three at right cornerback...registered 25 total tackles, including 20 solo stops...also caused a fumble in the Boston College game and recovered one versus Virginia Tech. **1995:** Played in six games for the Panthers to earn his first Pitt letter. **Prep School:** Had nine interceptions during the 1993 season at Vanier College...helped lead Vanier to the Quebec All-State championship...was a two-year starter for Coach Tim Matejekowski at Vanier. **Personal:** Varoutsos is majoring in psychology...has one sister...Elias Christos Varoutsos, born 3/25/73, is the son of Spiros and Angela Varoutsos.

Varoutsos' Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1995	6/0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1996	11/4	0	1	0	0	20	5	0	25
TOTALS	**17/4**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**20**	**5**	**0**	**25**

1997 Players

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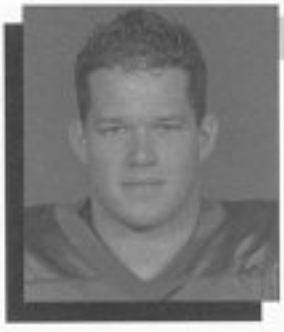
Justin Wade*

Sophomore*

OL/6-4/325

Library, Pa.

Wade is a promising offensive line prospect...will add depth to the offensive tackle position...will begin fall camp as the backup at right tackle behind incumbent starter Tony Orlandini...can play either offensive tackle position...sat out the 1995 season as a redshirt. **1996:** Played in seven games for the Panthers and started in one contest (Miami) at right tackle...was tried briefly at defensive tackle early in spring drills but moved back to the offense. **High School:** Was a small school division first-team All-State selection...selected as a member of the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22...earned first-team All-Conference... selected as a member of KBL Television Fabulous 25 squad...won three letters for Coach Tom Loughran at South Park High School...selected as team captain...earned three letters in basketball...was also selected as team captain and MVP in basketball...listed in the *Who's Who in American High School Sports*. **Personal:** Wade has one sister...Justin Wade, born 3/2/77, is the son of Arnold and JoAnne Wade.



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Ethan Weidle*

Sophomore*

OL/6-5/285

Lebanon, Pa.

Weidle is a big and strong offensive line prospect who blossomed into a solid player this past spring...is projected as the starting left tackle heading into fall camp as a result of his strong spring...had a slow start to his Pitt career and did not arrive until midway through fall camp in 1995 because of a neck problem...spent the 1995 season as a redshirt...has excellent size and ability. **1996:** Played in five games as a backcup offensive lineman to earn his first Pittsburgh letter. **High School:** Selected first-team All-State (Small School Division)...is a two-time All-Lancaster-Lebanon League selection...was named team captain as a senior...earned three letters for Coach Jeff Weachter at Lebanon Catholic High School...played in the prestigious Big 33 Football Classic and the Lebanon County Senior Bowl...won three letters in basketball. **Personal:** Weidle has two brothers and two sisters...Ethan Weidle, born 3/16/77, is the son of George F. and Suzanne Weidle.

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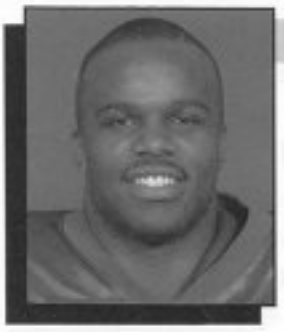

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Billy West***

Senior*

RB/5-10/210

Smithfield, Ohio

West, who has established himself as one of the top running backs in the Big East, gives the Panthers a dynamic one-two punch at running back along with Dwayne Schulters...is solid team leader ... was one of three players—and the only underclassmen—selected by the team as one of the tri-captain during the 1996 season...has a deceivingly quick and powerful running style...has exceptional leg strength and explosiveness...unselfishly moved to fullback during the 1996 season when starter Chris Schneider was lost for the season...is ranked sixth on Pittsburgh's all-time career rushing list with 2,423 yards...has been the Panthers' leading rusher in two of the past three years, the exception was 1995 when he missed all but two games because of injuries...has compiled an impressive career rushing average of nearly five yards a carry (4.99, 2,423 yards on 486 carries)...also has contributed on several special teams during his career...has compiled a total of nine 100-yard rushing games and one 200-yard contest... is an Athletic Director's Honor Roll student and is a Bell Atlantic Scholar-Athlete honoree...also was selected to the 1994 Big East Football All-Academic team. **1996:** Led the Panthers in rushing for the second time in two years, despite having his playing time reduced because of the emergence of Dwayne Schulters...started seven games at tailback and two at fullback...finished the season with 687 yards on 145 carries...averaged 4.7 yards a carry and 62.5 yards a game, which ranked fifth in the Big East Conference just ahead of Schulters (61.4)...also had two receptions...scored three rushing touchdowns...recorded two 100-yard games (Kent State and Houston). **1995:** Missed all but two games of the 1995 season because of two separate injuries...suffered an unusual ligament sprain in his chest in Pitt's season-opener versus Washington State, forcing him to miss the next three games...returned to action in the Sept. 30 Virginia Tech contest and rushed for 113 yards in the first 2½ quarters, before suffering a season-ending fractured leg. **1994:** Culminated a storybook 1994 season by being named the Big East Offensive Player of the Year...began the season as Curtis Martin's backup, but seized the moment when Martin suffered an ankle injury in the Ohio University game that lingered throughout most of the season...earned first-team All-Big East honors and was selected to the Associated Press' honorable mention All-American team and the ECAC All-Star squad...was named the Big East Offensive Player of the Week for his performance in the Sept. 10 Ohio University game in which he rushed for 226 yards on 26 carries and scored one TD to lead Pitt to a 30-16 victory...led the Big East in rushing with 1,358 yards on 252 carries...averaged an impressive 5.4 yards a carry and 123.5 yards a game, which ranked ninth in the country...scored six touchdowns and finished third on the team in scoring with 36 points...also had two receptions for 14 yards...compiled the fifth-best season rushing total in Pitt history, passing Curvin Richards' 1989 total of 1,282 yards...recorded six 100-yard games (seven for his career), including his 160 yards versus Miami, the only 100-yard game allowed by Miami during the 1994 season...missed a seventh when he finished with 95 yards against Syracuse on Oct. 8. **1993:** Produced a solid freshman season as a backup tailback and special teams player...was Pittsburgh's second-leading rusher (244 yards) and scorer (42 points)...rushed for 244 yards on 58 carries, averaging 4.2 yards a carry...scored seven rushing TDs, mostly in goal-line situations...also had six receptions for 47 yards...scored two TDs in each of the West Virginia, Rutgers and Temple contests...rushed for a career-high 108 yards on 20 carries in an ESPN nationally televised game versus Rutgers...made the first start of his career in that game, replacing the injured Curtis Martin. **High School:** Was a four-year letterwinner in high school and finished his career as the Ohio Valley's all-time rushing leader, with more than 5,000 yards and 63 rushing TDs in his scholastic career...named to the Division II first-team All-Ohio squad in his junior and senior years...held to fewer than 100 yards just three times in his high school career...named Division II Eastern District Back of the Year...named first-team All-Ohio Valley Athletic Conference (OVAC)...was coached by Ron Pobolish...also was a standout track performer...is the OVAC record holder in the 100 meters (11.0 seconds)...achieved a 4.0 grade-point average, earning National Honor Society and Merit Scholar status...also won letters in basketball and track. **Personal:** West is majoring in civil and environmental engineering...has two sisters...his father and three uncles played pro football...William Henry West IV, born 2/7/75, is the son of William (III) and Eunice Lawyer West.

West's Career Statistics:

Rushing	G/GS	Att.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1993	11/1	58	244	4.2	18	7	42
1994	11/9	252	1,358	5.4	51	6	36
1995	2/2	31	134	4.3	9	0	0
1996	11/9	145	687	4.7	31	3	18
TOTALS	**35/21**	**486**	**2,423**	**5.0**	**51**	**16**	**96**

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1993	11/1	6	47	7.8	14	0	0
1994	11/9	2	14	7.0	8	0	0
1995	2/2	2	15	7.5	9	0	0
1996	11/9	2	-10	--	--	0	0
TOTALS	**35/21**	**12**	**66**	**5.5**	**14**	**0**	**0**

*Includes a two-point conversion

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West in the Pittsburgh Record Books

Career Rushing Yardage List

	Name	Seasons	Yards
1.	Tony Dorsett	1973-76	6,526
2.	Curvin Richards	1988-90	3,192
3.	Craig Heyward	1984, 1986-87	3,086
4.	Elliott Walker	1974-77	2,748
5.	Curtis Martin	1991-94	2,643
6.	**Billy West**	**1993-**	**2,423**
7.	Bryan Thomas	1978, 1980-82	2,141
8.	Charles Gladman	1984-86	2,019
9.	Joe McCall	1980-83	1,978
10.	Marshall Goldberg	1936-38	1,957

Single-Season Rushing List

	Name	Season	Yards
1.	Tony Dorsett	1976	2,150
2.	Craig Heyward	1987	1,791
3.	Tony Dorsett	1973	1,686
	Tony Dorsett	1975	1,686
5.	**Billy West**	**1994**	**1,358**
6.	Curvin Richards	1989	1,282
7.	Curvin Richards	1988	1,228
8.	Bryan Thomas	1981	1,132
9.	Charles Gladman	1985	1,085
10.	Curtis Martin	1993	1,075

Billy West has been a integral part of the Panthers' offense the past three years and begins his senior campaign in 1997.

West's1996 Game-By-Game Rushing Statistics

#	Rushing	GP/GS	CAR	GAIN	LOSS	NET	/GM	/CAR	TD	LP
1	WEST VA.	1/1	14	70	11	59	59.0	4.2	0	27
2	KENT STATE	1/1	17	125	10	115	115.0	6.8	1	31
3	HOUSTON	1/1	33	143	0	143	143.0	4.3	1	11
4	at Ohio State	1/1	9	63	0	63	63.0	7.0	0	28
5	at Miami	1/1	11	42	0	42	42.0	3.8	0	12
6	TEMPLE	1/0	16	88	6	82	82.0	5.1	1	26
7	at Syracuse	1/1	13	60	2	58	58.0	4.5	0	26
8	at Virginia Tech	1/0	3	4	0	4	4.0	1.3	0	4
9	B. COLLEGE	1/1	8	38	0	38	38.0	4.8	0	9
10	at Notre Dame	1/1	8	43	0	43	43.0	5.4	0	17
11	RUTGERS	1/1	13	43	3	40	40.0	3.1	0	15
	Totals	**11/9**	**145**	**719**	**32**	**687**	**62.5**	**4.7**	**3**	**31**
	Big East	***7/4***	***78***	***345***	***22***	***323***	***46.1***	***4.1***	***1***	***27***

West's 1995 Game-By-Game Rushing Statistics

#	Rushing	GP/GS	CAR	GAIN	LOSS	NET	/GM	/CAR	TD	LP
1	WASH. ST.	1/1	8	24	3	21	21.0	2.6	0	10
5	VA. TECH	1/1	23	117	4	113	113.0	4.9	0	20
	Totals	**2/2**	**31**	**141**	**7**	**134**	**67.0**	**4.3**	**0**	**20**
	Big East	***1/1***	***23***	***117***	***4***	***113***	***113.0***	***4.9***	***0***	***20***

West's 1994 Game-By-Game Rushing Statistics

#	Rushing	GP/GS	CAR	GAIN	LOSS	NET	/GM	/CAR	TD	LP
1	Texas	1/0	2	3	1	2	2.0	1.0	0	2
2	Ohio Univ.	1/0	26	231	5	226	226.0	8.7	1	32
3	at Ohio State	1/1	20	101	14	87	87.0	4.3	0	17
4	B. College	1/1	28	175	5	170	170.0	6.1	0	21
5	at Louisville	1/1	28	185	27	158	158.0	5.6	1	51
6	at Syracuse	1/1	22	102	7	95	95.0	4.3	1	11
7	West Virginia	1/1	17	71	23	48	48.0	2.8	1	18
8	at Va. Tech	1/1	17	81	6	75	75.0	4.4	0	22
9	Temple	1/1	28	150	1	149	149.0	5.3	1	16
10	at Miami	1/1	34	162	2	160	160.0	4.7	0	19
11	RUTGERS	1/1	30	193	5	188	188.0	6.3	1	48
	Totals	**11/9**	**252**	**1,456**	**96**	**1,358**	**123.5**	**5.4**	**6**	**51**
	BIG EAST	***6/6***	***146***	***741***	***44***	***697***	***116.2***	***4.8***	***3***	***22***

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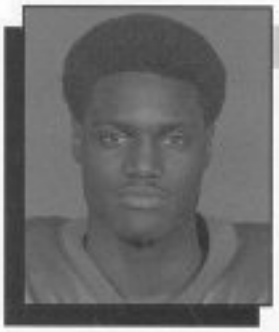

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Abu Whitaker

Senior
LB/6-3/190
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Whitaker joined the Panthers in the fall of 1994 and has gradually progressed to where he may contribute as a reserve linebacker and special teams player...began his Pittsburgh career as a defensive back but moved to outside linebacker this past spring...had a productive performance in the Blue-Gold scrimmage, registering six solo tackles and one quarterback sack...transferred from Central State University in winter 1993. **High School:** Was four-year starter for Gus Gatiness at Perry Traditional Academy...earned All-City League honors for four years and was a first-team All-State selection his senior year. **Personal:** Whitaker is majoring Aercana...has five sisters...Abu C. Whitaker, born 6/11/74, is the son of Fred and Linda Whitaker.

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Rasshad Whitmill**

Junior
WR/5-11/185
Friendstown, Texas

A promising defensive back, Whitmill moved to wide receiver this past spring and progressed very well until he suffered a knee injury...should be 100 percent by fall camp...has excellent physical abilities—size, speed and strength...surfaced as one of the Panthers' top receiver in the spring until he injured his knee...missed the Blue-Gold scrimmage because of the injury...could also see action as a kick returner. **1996:** Started Pittsburgh's first four games at right cornerback before a knee injury sidelined him for the Miami game...was replaced in the lineup by Curtis Anderson and started just three games the rest of the season, two at left cornerback...finished the season with nine total tackles, including seven solo stops...led the team in pass deflections (9) and was credited with two interceptions, both in the Boston College contest...also had four unassisted tackles in the BC game...returned one kickoff for 18 yards **1995:** Gained valuable playing experience when forced into action in 1995 and developed into a solid cornerback...played in 10 games and started six contests...was credited with 19 total tackles (14 solo stops and finished second on the team with seven pass deflections ...also had two interceptions, one each in the Temple and Miami contests...returned 10 kickoffs for 138 yards...averaged 13.8 yards a return...also had one punt return for a yard. **High School:** Was named to the All-State team...selected to the All-Greater Houston team...named first-team All-District...finished senior year with five interceptions and returned three for touchdowns...averaged 20.8 yards per punt return...selected to play in the California-Texas All-Star game...earned three letters for Coach Jim Hatfield at Clear Brook High School. **Personal:** Whitmill has two sisters...Rasshad Keith Whitmill, born 4/11/77, is the son of Greg and Bonnie Whitmill.

Whitmill's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1995	10/6	0.0	0	7	2	14	5	0.0	19
1996	10/6	0.0	0	9	2	7	2	0.0	9
TOTALS	**20/12**	**0.0**	**0**	**16**	**4**	**21**	**7**	**0.0**	**28**

Kickoff Returns	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs
1995	10	138	13.8	23	0
1996	1	18	18.0	18	0
TOTALS	**11**	**156**	**14.2**	**23**	**0**

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Juan Williams

*Junior**
TE/6-1/240
Jackson, Miss.

Williams will be a welcome sight for the Panthers after suffering through an injury-plagued season in 1996...showed tremendous potential through fall camp and even in the first game until he developed a groin injury that lingered throughout most of the season...is a solid blocker with good receiving skills...had limited practice time during spring drills because of a knee sprain suffered early in the spring. **1996:** Won the starting tight end job in fall camp and started the first game of the year against West Virginia...caught one pass for 12 yards...suffered a groin pull that hampered him throughout the season...did not play in another game and sat out the rest of the season as a medical redshirt. **1995 (Hinds C.C.):** Was a member of number one-ranked Hinds (Miss.) Community College...selected second-team All-State at Hinds as a freshman and sophomore...played in the 1995 Texas Shrine Bowl (Junior College National Championship game) on a Hinds team that finished 10-2 and ranked fifth in the junior-college rankings in 1995...the team finished 11-1 his freshman year and played in the Mineral Water Bowl. **High School:** Won three letters in football for Coach Leon Campbell...was selected as best defensive player and all-around player in 1993 and 1994...served as a team captain two straight years...was an honor student. **Personal:** Williams is majoring in public administration...has two brothers and two sisters...Juan Demond Williams, born 2/15/76, is the son of Fredrick and Patricia Williams.

Williams' Career Statistics:

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	1/1	1	12	12.0	12	0	0

1997 Players

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LaFann Williams*

Sophomore
RB/5-10/170
Pahokee, Fla.

Williams was developing nicely as a complement to Billy West and Dwayne Schulters in the running game until a academic technicality discovered by the NCAA clearing house forced him to miss the final six games of the season...is an extremely quick and powerful running back who could challenge for playing time for the Panthers in 1997...compiled 22 yards on six carries in the Blue-Gold scrimmage this past spring...also had two receptions for 15 yards. **1996:** Played in the Panthers' first five games...rushed for 100 yards on 19 carries...had just one negative rushing yard...also caught two passes for 15 yards...compiled his highest rushing total of the season against Miami, amassing 55 yards on five carries, including a long run of 22 yards...returned one kickoff for 16 yards. **High School:** Rushed for more than 1,600 yards as a senior at Pahokee High School...also was an accomplished track star and finished third in the state in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.5 seconds...earned All-State honors as a running back during his senior year...selected as the *Palm Beach Post's* Offensive Player of the Year...was named honorable mention All-Southeast Region by *BlueChip Illustrated*...was a three-time letterwinner in football for Coach Joe Marx...also earned four track letters. **Personal:** Williams has one brother and one sister...LaFann Demont Williams, born 9/7/76, is the son of Earnestine Williams.

Williams' Career Statistics:

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	5/0	19	100	5.3	21	0	0

Receiving	G/GS	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Long	TDs	Pts.
1996	5/0	2	15	7.5	9	0	0

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Marlin Young**

Junior*
DL/6-2/250
Miami, Fla.

Young could move into a starting role in 1997 as the Panthers' passing-rushing end...has shown very good potential and improvement the past two years...had a good spring...possesses good speed for his size...had a solid spring game, registering two tackles, a tackle for a loss and a sack...sat out the 1994 season as a redshirt. **1996:** Played in seven games for the Panthers and made the only start of his Pittsburgh career versus Temple...registered 11 total tackles for the season, including seven solo stops...had a season-high four tackles in the Notre Dame contest. **1995:** Progressed into a solid pass rushing specialist for the Panthers in 1995...played in nine games...finished the season with nine total tackles, including eight solo stops...had two tackles for losses, both of which occurred in the Syracuse contest...also had one quarterback pressure...had one of his best games versus Ohio State, registering three solo tackles. **High School:** Was named second-team All-Dade County...recorded 17 sacks, recovered four fumbles and had one interception as a senior...was a two-year letterman for Coach Lou Sanabria at Miami Senior High School...also earned a letter in bowling. **Personal:** Young is majoring in social sciences...has two brothers and four sisters...Marlin Louis Young, born 10/27/76, is the son of Celestine McKinney.

Young's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Sacks	Fum. Rec.	PBU	Int.	UT	AT	TFL	TOT
1995	9/0	0.0	0	0	0	8	1	2.0	9
1996	7/1	0.0	0	0	0	7	4	0.0	11
TOTALS	**16/1**	**0.0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**15**	**5**	**2.0**	**20**

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Tony Zimmerman*

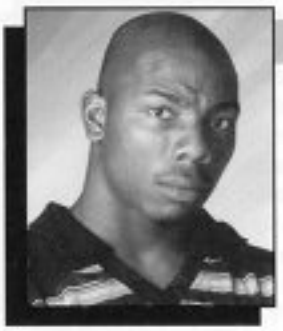
Sophomore
QB/6-3/225
Trafford, Pa.

Zimmerman showed good potential in his limited action in 1996...will probably sit out the 1997 campaign as a redshirt...was a Bell Atlantic Scholar Athlete honoree. **1996:** Played in six games for the Panthers...completed one pass in 10 attempts for eight yards...had one interception. **High School:** Was one of the most highly regarded quarterbacks in the country his senior year...possesses an extremely strong arm and is a natural drop back quarterback...ran the run-and-shoot offense in high school...led the WPIAL in passing yardage (2,429) as a senior...completed 190 of 331 passes for 16 TDs...selected as a high school All-American by *The National Recruiting Advisor*...named to the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22 squad as a senior...helped lead Penn-Trafford to the Quad-South title with a 9-1 record in 1995...earned first-team Quad-East All-Conference honors in his senior year...named the 1995 WPIAL AAAA Player of the Year...played in the prestigious BIG 33 Football Classic in Hershey...rated the third-best quarterback prospect in the All-Eastern Region by *BlueChip Illustrated*...led the WPIAL in passing yardage (2,618) as a sophomore, completing 191 of 308 passes for 34 TDs...was one of two sophomores ever selected to the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22...missed his junior season after undergoing reconstructive knee surgery...led Penn Trafford to the Quad-South title as a sophomore with an 8-2 record...selected as a 1995 Dapper Dan high school honoree...received three letters in football for Coach John Yaccino...also lettered in basketball. **Personal:** Zimmerman is majoring in pre-education... has one brother and two sisters...Anthony Jacob Zimmerman, born 4/22/77, is the son of Stanley and Joanne Zimmerman.

Zimmerman's Career Statistics:

	G/GS	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Yards	Int.	TDs	Efficiency
1996	6/0	10	1	.100	8	1	0	-3.3

1997 Recruits



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Kevan Barlow

RB/6-1/220
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Peabody H.S.

Barlow is a highly regarded running back with excellent speed... could contribute to the Panthers in 1997...has been timed at 4.4 seconds in the 40-yard dash...named to the *Pittsburgh Post Gazette* Fabulous 22...selected as City League Player of the Year by the *Pittsburgh Post Gazette* and *Tribune Review*...named second-team All-State...named All-City as a sophomore and senior...rushed for 1,531 yards (10.3 avg.) and 16 TDs...compiled 433 receiving yards and five TD receptions in 1996...in his last three years had 3,121 rushing yards with 31 TDs and 844 receiving yards with 10 TD receptions...registered 33 tackles (14 solo), one interception (returned for a TD)...received 3.5 sacks as a senior...was a four-year lettermen for Coach Bob Flaus at Peabody...also lettered in basketball. **Personal:** Kevan C. Barlow, born 1/7/79, is the son of Gary Robinson and Zella Barlow.

83

Jermaine Brooks

WR/5-11/175
Palm Dale, Calif.
Highlands H.S.
Los Angeles Pierce J.C.

Brooks is an excellent kick returner who could also provide some immediate help to a thin receiving corp in 1997...has excellent speed and quickness...has been timed at 4.5 seconds in the 40-yard dash...averaged 34 yards a kickoff return at Pierce J.C....caught 63 receptions for 1,140 yards and scored 10 TDs in 1996...was nominated first-team All-State by the J.C. Athletic Bureau...rated as one of the top 100 junior college players in the country...plans to study child psychology. **Personal:** Brooks has two brothers and three sisters...Jermaine H. Brooks, born 3/30/75, is the son of Floyd and Alice Brooks.

65

Mike Bosnic

OL/6-6/265
Uniontown, Pa.
Albert Gallatin H.S.

Bosnic is a big, strong offensive line prospect who could make an immediate contribution to the Panthers in 1997...was a two-year starter on the offensive and defensive lines for Albert Gallatin...had 15 receptions as a tight end in his junior season...registered 14 sacks and eight assisted sacks during his senior year...selected as first-team All-Conference and All-County...won the Buck Johnson Lineman Award...nominated to play in the *Big 33* game...also named third-team big schools All-State by the Associated Press...was a two-year letterman in football for Coach Mike Bosnic Sr...lettered four times in basketball...averaged 16 points and 10 rebounds a game in high school basketball...scored more than 1,000 points...selected as All-Section player as a junior...enjoys lifting weights. **Personal:** Bosnic has two brothers and one sister...his older brother Nick plays basketball for Duquesne University...Mike Gerald Bosnic, born 2/21/78, is the son of Michael Bosnic Sr. and Linda Bosnic.

39

Nick Cole

DB/6-2/210
Brooklyn, Ohio
Brooklyn H.S.

Cole has a good opportunity to be an immediate contributor on the defense for the Panthers in 1997...selected as a four-time All-Conference selection...earned first-team Division 5 All-Ohio defensive back honors...was named first-team All-*Cleveland Plain Dealer* and first-team All-Cuyahoga County...selected as a Cleveland Touchdown Club award winner and eligible for the Lou Groza Award (Top Cleveland High School Player)...selected as a nominee for the Ohio North-South game and Big 33 game...nominated Northeast District Offensive Back Player of the Year 1996...was a four-year starter on offense and defense at Brooklyn High School...rushed for 1,127 yards his senior year, averaging more than eight yards per carry...registered 4,212 all purpose yards and 44 TDs during his career...also was a top defensive back...registered 246 tackles and seven interceptions...during his senior year Brooklyn's defensive unit permitted only 30 points the entire season. **Personal:** Cole has one brother...Nick W. Cole, born 11/16/78, is the son of Wayne and Lori Cole.

1997 Recruits

42

Joe Conlin

TE/6-5/245
Greensburg, Pa.
Greensburg Central Catholic H.S.

Conlin is a highly regarded tight end from Greensburg who could see playing time for the Panthers in 1997...garnered All-Conference honors during his junior and senior seasons...selected All-Conference as a defensive end during his junior campaign...was a second-team All-State tight end selection...named to the Finest 44 squad by the *Tribune Review*...selected to play in the Big 33 game and played in the the Foothills Classic...registered 90 solo tackles with 15.5 sacks as a senior...also caught 24 passes in three years for seven touchdowns...was selected All-Conference in basketball the last three years...led Greensburg Central Catholic in scoring this past basketball season...was a member of the German National Honor Society...enjoys playing the guitar and reading. **Personal:** Conlin has one brother...Joseph Michael Conlin, born 6/22/79, is the son of Jim and Kathy Conlin.

7

Tray Crayton

DB/6-2/175
Oceanside, Calif.
El Camino H.S.
Palomar College

Crayton will be expected to help provide immediate depth to a very thin cornerback unit...played one season at Palomar College...registered six interceptions...also forced two fumbles and recovered one fumble...scored two TDs (one on an interception return and one on a 92-yard kickoff return)... was named first-team All-Mission Conference, which has produced seven of the last eight junior-college national champions...selected as an honorable mention Junior College All-American...was named a *Blue Chip Illustrated* All-American...was selected for the Hit of the Year Award by the *San Diego Union*. **High School:** Led El Camino H.S. to the Division II C.I.F. Championship...was three-year lettermen in football for Coach Herb Meyer...also recieved three letters for basketball...played on the All-C.I.F. basketball team...plans to study psychology...is from the same high school as Head Football Coach Walt Harris. **Personal:** Crayton has two brothers and two sisters...Tray Clarence Crayton III, born 3/24/76, is the son of Clarence and Josephine Crayton.

66

Tom Coury

OL/6-3/335
Tarentum, Pa.
Highlands H.S.

Coury was regarded as one of the top offensive line prospects in the WPIAL last year...has excellent potential on the offensive line and could provide immediate depth along the line for the Panthers in 1997...was selected first team Class AAA Greater Allegheny Conference as an offensive tackle for two straight seasons...was a three-year starter as an offensive and defensive tackle...named second-team All-Conference as a defensive tackle both years...earned third-team All-State honors as a defensive tackle...selected to the 1995-1996 *Valley News Dispatch* All-Star team...played a major role in leading Highland to the WPIAL playoffs last season...was a four-year letterman in football from Coach Tim Karrs...plans to study art education. **Personal:** Coury has two brothers...Thomas James Coury, born 12/14/78, is the son of Thomas Coury and Lois J. Seel.

69

Khiawatha Downey

OL/6-4/340
Battleboro, N.C.
Northern Nash High

Downey is a mammoth offensive line prospect who could be an immediate contributor for the Panthers in 1997...benches 355 pounds and squats 455 pounds...was team captain and most valuable lineman at Northern Nash...named All-Conference at left tackle in 1996...played only 20 games (two seasons) of football...did not allow any sacks this season. **Personal:** Downey has one brother and one sister...Khiawatha Rahiem Downey, born 9/20/79, is the son of Charles and April Richardson.

1997 Recruits

41

Grant Elam

LB/6-2/205
Austin, Texas
S.F. Austin H.S.

Elam is a very athletic prospect who was a quarterback in high school...will move to linebacker for the Panthers in 1997...was a three-year starter at quarterback for Stephen F. Austin H.S...runs the 40-yard dash in 4.57 seconds...completed 283-of-534 pass attempts for 4,057 yards and 42 TDs in his career...named to FOOTACTION USA/NFL QB Texas Challenge...named to *Super Prep* Magazine's SW Regional List...named as a Top QB Recruit by *Texas 100*...named to Heartland *Recruiting Top 100*. list...named to the Texas Top 100 by *Inside Texas Newsletter*...selected to the *Blue Chip* List in 1997...selected to *Prepstar's* Big 12 Area All-American squad and to *Superprep's* Texas Top 81 listing...was a two-time district champion for discus in 1996-97...was a member of the All-Academic District Track team for four years...was a three-time football letterman for Coach Stan Mauldin...also earned four letters in track and field...was named to the first-team All-District quarterback as a junior...enjoys freshwater fishing...plans to study business or communications. **Personal:** Philip Grant Elam, born 11/14/78, is the son of Phil and Beth Elam.

27

Kenny Harris

DB/5-11/175
Buffalo, N.Y.
Saint Joseph's H.S.

Harris is a versatile player who can play either running back or defensive back...runs the 40 yard dash in 4.5 seconds...registered 3,171 yards and scored 232 points (including PATs)...rushed for 1,386 yards and 16 TDs during his senior year at Saint Joseph's H.S...played quarterback during his junior year due to injury...passed for more than 400 yards and rushed for 1,191 his junior season...had more than 2,000 all-purpose yards during his junior year...registered two interceptions and 35 tackles his senior season...helped lead Saint Joseph's to a 9-1 record and the Monsignor Martin Class AA Championship...named as a member to the first-team All-New York State as a defensive back...was named a three-year first-team All-Catholic Schools choice as a running back...also named first-team All-Western New York as a running back...selected his team's offensive MVP as a senior. **Personal:** Kenny Zaire Harris, born 5/6/79, is the son of Kenny and Laura Harris.

52

Bryan Jacobs

LB/6-2/240
Pickerington, Ohio
Pickerington H.S.

Jacobs was Pittsburgh's final signee to the 1997 recruiting class...has excellent size and could provide depth to the linebacking corps in 1997...registered 175 tackles his senior year to tie the school record...selected as second-team All-State...elected captain junior and senior years at Pickerington H.S...was a two-time All-Star selection...played on the River Valley All-Star team...selected on All-League and All-District teams...named team MVP for the1996 season...was a three-year letterman for Coach Jack Johnson...also earned two letters for track and field...won the state shot put title...enjoys playing paint ball...plans to study communications. **Personal:** Jacobs has one sister...Bryan Joseph Jacobs, born 1/25/79, is the son of Andy and Sherry Jacobs.

83

Bryan Knight

WR/6-1/205
Buffalo, N.Y.
Saint Joseph's Collegiate Institute

Knight could help fortify a very thin receiving corps in 1997... has excellent size...was a three-year starter as a tight end and defensive end...registered 12 sacks and 75 tackles during his senior season...played wide reciever during his senior season...had 23 receptions for 625 yards and seven TDs...selected as first-team All-New York State as a defensive end...was one of the five finalists for Buffalo Player of the Year...named to the All-Catholic Schools first-team for three years as a tight end...named first-team All-Western New York as a tight end...led Saint Joseph's to a 9-1 record and the Monsignor Martin Class AA Championship...named as team's defensive MVP his senior season...lettered four times for Coach O'Conner...enjoys reading and cooking...plans to study social work...was a high school teammate of fellow Pittsburgh recruit Kenny Harris. **Personal:** Knight has two brothers and four sisters...Bryan Jerome Knight, born 1/22/79...is the son of Jerry and Beverly Knight.

1997 Recruits

28

Lee Lightner

DB/6-2/180
Alvin, Texas
Alvin H.S.

Lightner is a highly regarded defensive back, who could provide some help in the Panther's secondary in 1997...runs the 40-yard dash in 4.6 seconds...started three years as defensive back at Alvin...registered 87 tackles, four interceptions and three fumble recoveries last season...averaged 23 yards per kickoff return...was named first-team All-District, All-County and All-Greater Houston Area as a senior...started at quarterback for the first half of his junior season...selected as Alvin's defensive MVP last season...led Alvin High School to the second round of the 5A Division I playoffs...also lettered in baseball and basketball...was a four-year letterman for Coach Ron Lynch. **Personal:** Lightner has two brothers and one sister...Lee Lester Lightner, born 12/24/78, is the son of Raymond and Tommie Gardley.

44

Rickey Mendenhal

RB/6-0/220
Morrisville, Pa.
Pensbury H.S.

Mendenhal is a standout running back who has the speed and running abilities to develop into a top prospect for the Panthers...compiled 1,500 yards during his senior season in 1996...was a two-time Lower Buck Player of the Year...selected as the recipient of the Maxwell Club Award during 1996 campaign...earned first-team All-Surburban League honors...was a two-time letterman for Coach Mike Elko. **Personal:** Mendenhal has three brothers and two sisters...Rickey W. Mendenhal, born 12/21/78, is the son of Rick Sr. Mendenhal.

90

Jeff McCurley

DL/6-4/250
Bessemer, Pa.
Mohawk H.S.

McCurley is an excellent athlete who has the ability to play either offensive guard or defensive tackle for the Panthers...will be tried first at defensive end...had 12 sacks and 15 tackles for loss as a senior captain...was named a unanimous first-team Class AAA Parkway Conference All-Star...received the Mac Award for best defensive lineman in Lawrence County...also selected first-team All-Conference as a junior...helped Mohawk rise from Class AA to Class AAA...was starter on the Mohawk basketball team...lettered two years in basketball...was a three-time letterman in football for Coach Bob Razzano. **Personal:** McCurley has one brother...Jeffrey Paul McCurley, born 6/25/79, is the son of Dick and Mary Lou McCurley.

40

Mark Moothart

FB/5-11/230
Waterloo, Iowa
Columbus H.S.

Moothart is a highly regarded prospect who could challenge for playing time at fullback in 1997...runs the 40-yard dash in 4.6 seconds...was a three-year starter at Columbus H.S...rushed for 1,038 yards on 153 carries (6.8 avg.) and 23 TDs last season ...selected as first-team All-State as a running back by the *Des Moines Register*...named first-team All-State as a linebacker by the *Waterloo Courier*...was a three-year All-District and All-Metro player...lead the conference in scoring...was selected to play in the 1997 Iowa Shrine Bowl...led Columbus to a 9-2 record and to the second round of the playoffs...was a four-year letterman in track and field, competing in sprints, shot put and discus...participated twice in the state championships in track and field...also lettered in wrestling...was a three-time letterman for Coach Tom Girsch. **Personal:** Moothart has one brother...Mark Joseph Moothart, born 12/1/78, is the son of Joseph and Nancy Moothart.

1997 Recruits

81

Terry Murphy
WR/6-0/175
Los Angeles, Calif.
Dorsey H.S.
West Los Angeles College

Murphy is an extremely quick and experienced wide receiver who will provide some immediate help to a thin Pitt receiving corps in 1997...has been timed at 4.57 seconds in the 40-yard dash...had 27 receptions for 419 yards and six TDs last season at West Los Angeles College...named first-team All-Western State Conference...won one letter in football for Coach Paul Knox...plans to study criminal justice. **Personal:** Murphy has one sister...Terry Murphy, born 8/25/75, is the son of Terry and Bertha Murphy.

47

Mark Ponko
DB/5-10/190
Delmont, Pa.
Franklin Regional H.S.

Ponko was one of the most highly regarded defensive backs in the WPIAL in 1996...was also recruited by Penn State but decided to walk on at Pittsburgh...was a standout two-sport athlete at Franklin Regional in football and basketball...earned third-team All-State honors in football...named to the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22 and *Tribune Review* All-Star squad...was selected his team's MVP his senior season at Franklin Regional...selected to participate in the Foothills All-Star Classic...was a three-year letterman for Coach Greg Botta...also received three letters in basketball...selected to first-team All Conference in basketball...plans to study business...is a cousin of former Pittsburgh star and All-Pro Russ Grimm. **Personal:** Ponko has one brother and one sister...Mark Albert Ponko, born 10/2/78, is the son of Duane and Bernadette Ponko.

71

John Raymond
OL/6-7/320
Ventura, Calif.
Buena H.S.
Moorpark College

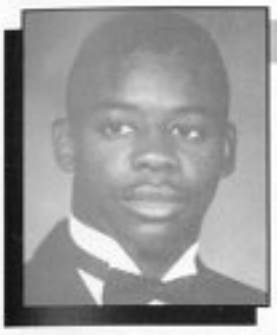
Raymond is an excellent athlete with outstanding strength and size...could contribute immediately on the offensive line...was a two-year starter at Moorpark College...was a two-time, first-team All-Western State Conference (unanimous selection this year)...was selected first-team All-State last season and was an honorable mention All-American...runs the 40-yard dash in 5 seconds...squats 500 pounds...has a power clean of more than 300 pounds...averaged more than 10 pancake blocks per game. **High School:** named to *Street & Smith's* All-American team out of high school...named Ventura County Lineman of the year...was a three-year football lettermen for Coach Rick Scott...also lettered in wrestling and track...enjoys the outdoors...plans to study communications. **Personal:** Raymond has one brother and one sister...John W.Raymond, born 8/1/77, is the son of James and Nancy Raymond.

31

Victor Strader
DB/RB/5-9/170
Pittsburgh, Pa.
Penn Hills H.S.

Strader is a versatile, athlete who could play either running back or defensive back for the Panthers...will probably begin fall camp in the defensive secondary...helped lead Penn Hills to a number-one ranking in the nation in the *USA Today*... was a three-year starter at defensive back...was a two-year starter at running back...amassed 2,699 yards rushing with 30 TDs...also registered 150 tackles and had nine interceptions...heldped lead Penn Hills, which was 31-4 during Strader's career and had a 28-game winning streak, to the 1995 PIAA Quad-A State Championship...selected to play in the prestigous Big 33 game...was a three-time first-team Quad East All-Conference...was a two-year member of the *Tribune Review* first-team All-Star squad...named to the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* Fabulous 22...was selected to second-team Pennsylvania Big School All-Statesquad as a defensive back in 1995 and 1996...selected to the *Pennsylvania Prep Magazine* first-team All-Star squad...named to the *Gateway Press* Elite 18...named as the Penn Hills Lions 1996 Offensive Player of the Year...nominated as a *Street & Smith's* "Blue Chip" Selection and Tom Lemming's 1996 Prep Elite...selected as *Althon 's* Top Blue Chips Running Backs in Northeast...was a *Prep Star* Top Blue Chip College Prospect in 1996...was team captain...lettered three times for Coach Neil Gordon...plans to study business management. **Personal:** Strader has one brother...Victor A. Strader, born 6/7/79, is the son of Marvin and Kathy Strader.

1997 Recruits/Class Distribution



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Jackie Womack

WR/5-11/180
Ruleville, Miss.
Ruleville H.S.
Mississippi Delta C.C.

With his excellent speed and receiving skills, Womack could be an immediate contributor to the Panther offense in 1997...named second-team All-State this past season...selected as a two-time junior college All-American...caught 16 passes for 342 yards and three TDs at Mississippi Delta C.C...also had nine kickoff returns for 206 yards (22.9 avg.), including a long of 60 yards...competed in the Mississippi Junior College North-South game...runs the 40-yard dash in 4.4 seconds. **High School:** Participated in state track and field championships...earned four letters in football for Coach Johnny Noah and Don Bankhead...was a four-year letterman in track and field...plans to study criminal justice. **Personal:** Womack has two brothers and one sister...is a first cousin of current Pittsburgh Steelers defensive end Kevin Henry...Jackie Dwyane Womack, born 3/7/76, is the son of Jackie and Gladys Womack.

Class Distribution

Fifth-Year Seniors (9)
Pete Gonzalez** ..... QB
Roderick Humphrey*** ..... LB
JohnJenkins*** ..... DB
Jon Marzoch** ..... OL
Curtis McGhee*** ..... DB
Jason Sepkowski** ..... OL
Jason Soboleski* ..... DL
Reggie Thomas*** ..... OL
Billy West*** ..... RB

Seniors (9)
Ernest Coakley* ..... LB
Jake Hoffart* ..... WR
Vital Joseph ..... WR
Eric Kasperowicz ..... DB
Ken Konek* ..... FB
Frank Moore ..... DL
Tony Orlandini*** ..... OL
Dwayne Schulters* ..... RB
Abu Whittaker ..... DB

Redshirt Juniors (11)
Chuck Brown* ..... DB
Jason Dugger ..... OL
Andrew Grishow* ..... OL
John Jones** ..... TE
Matt Lytle** ..... QB
Kenny Pegram** ..... DL
Chris Schneider** ..... FB
Mike Schultz** ..... OL
E.C. Varoutsos* ..... DB
Juan Williams ..... TE
Marlin Young** ..... DL

Juniors (17)
Kevin Bever ..... P/PK
Eugene Blackwell ..... DB
Jermaine Brocks ..... WR
Phillip Clarke** ..... LB
Tray Crayton ..... DB
Andrew Etzel ..... DB
Chris Ferencik** ..... PK
Joe Holland ..... WR
Roland Mathiey ..... LB
Terry Murphy ..... WR
Dawan Owens ..... DB
Keith Pitts ..... DB
Corey Plis ..... PK
John Raymond ..... OL
Sean Stallings ..... DB
Rasshad Whitmill** ..... WR
Jackie Womack ..... WR

Redshirt Sophomores (11)
Grant Coffield ..... PK
Chris Dilba* ..... DL
Darnell Dinkins* ..... QB
Chris Feola ..... FB
Julian Graham* ..... LB
Ken Kashubara* ..... LB
Trey McCray* ..... DL
Kirk McMullen* ..... TE
Karim Thompson* ..... DB
Justin Wade ..... OL
Ethan Weidle* ..... OL

Sophomores (15)
Chiffon Allen ..... DB
Djems Don* ..... DL
Bill Fuchs ..... PK
Demond Gibson* ..... DL
Seth Hornack* ..... DB
John Kanaly ..... DB
Ben Kopp* ..... OL
Andy Molinaro ..... WR
John Parker* ..... LS
Hank Poteat* ..... RB
Jason Rimpel ..... LB
Tim Stein ..... WR
Mykol Walters ..... DB
LaFann Williams* ..... RB
Tony Zimmerman* ..... QB

Redshirt Freshmen (6)
Creg Bethea ..... RB
Melvin Porter ..... WR
Tim Robertson ..... DL
Calvin Robinson ..... DL
Paul Ruzila ..... PK
Tony Thompson ..... FB

Freshmen (18)
Cheo Angel ..... WR
Kevan Barlow ..... RB
Mike Bosnic ..... OL
Nick Cole ..... DB
Joe Conlin ..... TE
Tom Coury ..... OL
Khiawatha Downey ..... OL
Grant Elam ..... LB
Kenny Harris ..... DB
Bryan Jacobs ..... LB
Ramel (Tiggett) Johnson ..... WR
Bryan Knight ..... WR
Lee Lightner ..... DB
Rickey Mendenhall ..... RB
Jeff McCurley ..... DL
Mark Mcothart ..... FB
Mark Ponko ..... DB
Victor Strader ..... DB/RB

1997 Pittsburgh Alphabetical Roster

NO.	NAME	POS	CL	HT	WT	HOMETOWN/HIGH SCHOOL/JR. COLLEGE
21	Chiffon Allen	DB	SO	5-10	170	Passaic, NJ/Passaic
3	Cheo Angel	WR	FR	5-10	190	Sacramento, CA/Elk Grove
43	Kevan Barlow	RB	FR	6-1	220	Pittsburgh, PA/Peabody
29	Creg Bethea	RB	FR*	5-10	200	Jersey City, NJ/Marist
23	Kevin Bever	P/PK	JR	5-10	185	Huntington Beach, CA/Edison/Golden West College
	Eugene Blackwell	DB	JR	6-1	205	Richton Park, IL/Rich South
67	Mike Bosnic	OL	FR	6-6	265	Fairchance, PA/Uniontown, PA
11	Jermaine Brooks	WR	JR	5-11	175	Palmdale, CA/Highlands/Los Angeles Pierce J.C.
4	Chuck Brown**	DB	JR*	5-11	175	Bradenton, FL/Southeast
95	Phil Clarke**	LB	JR	6-0	235	Miami, FL/Miami Senior
80	Ernest Coakley*	LB	SR	6-2	210	Brooklyn, NY/Canarsie/Hudson Valley
17	Grant Coffield	PK	SO*	6-3	205	Greensburg, PA/Latrobe
39	Nick Cole	DB	FR	6-2	210	Brooklyn, OH/Brooklyn
98	Joe Conlin	TE	FR	6-5	245	Greensburg, PA/Greensburg Central Catholic
66	Tom Coury	OL	FR	6-3	335	Tarentum, PA/Highland
7	Tray Crayton	DB	JR	6-2	175	Oceanside, CA/El Camino/Palomar College
96	Chris Dilba*	DL	SO*	6-4	290	Cherry Hill, NJ/Cherry Hill West
1	Darnell Dinkins*	QB	SO*	6-4	225	Pittsburgh, PA/Schenley
91	Djems Don*	DL	SO	6-3	260	North Miami, FL/North Miami
69	Khiawatha Downey	OL	FR	6-4	340	Battleboro, NC/Northern Nash High
59	Jason Dugger	OL	JR*	6-4	285	New Wilmington, PA/Wilmington
41	Grant Elam	LB	FR	6-2	205	Austin, TX/S.F.Austin
	Andrew Etzel	DB	JR	5-10	175	Allison Park, PA/Hampton
38	Chris Feola	FB	SO*	6-1	230	Pittsburgh, PA/North Hills
37	Chris Ferencik**	PK	JR	5-11	185	Strongsville, OH/Strongsville
	Bill Fuchs	PK	SO	5-8	160	Greenville, PA/Kennedy Christian
94	Demond Gibson*	DL	SO	6-4	320	Pittsburgh, PA/Penn Hills
10	Pete Gonzalez**	QB	SR*	6-1	215	Miami, FL/Coral Park
45	Julian Graham*	LB	SO*	6-3	245	Philadelphia, PA/John Bartram
54	Andrew Grischow*	OL	JR*	6-3	265	Lake Milton, OH/Warren G. Harding
27	Kenny Harris	DB	FR	5-11	175	Buffalo, NY/Saint Joseph's
9	Jake Hoffart*	WR	SR	6-2	200	Yuba City,CA/Yuba City/Pacific
	Joe Holland	WR	JR	6-2	195	Hanover, PA/Good Council
26	Seth Hornack*	DB	SO	5-10	190	Lower Burrell, PA/Burrell
51	Roderick Humphrey***	LB	SR*	6-1	235	Tulsa, OK/Booker T. Washington
	Bryan Jacobs	LB	FR	6-2	240	Pickerington, OH/Pickerington
15	John Jenkins***	DB	SR*	6-2	190	East McKeesport, PA/East Allegheny
6	Ramel (Tiggett) Johnson	WR	FR	6-1	185	Philadelphia, PA/George Washington
86	John Jones**	TE	JR*	6-5	240	Cleveland, OH/Glen Mills (PA)
19	Vital Joseph***	WR	SR	6-3	205	Miami, FL/Miami Edison
	John Kanaly	DB	SO	6-1	190	Brooklyn, NY/Lafayette
53	Ken Kashubara*	LB	SO*	6-4	225	New Castle, PA/Sharon
5	Eric Kasperowicz**	DB	SR	6-0	210	Pittsburgh, PA/North Hills
83	Bryan Knight	WR	FR	6-2	205	Buffalo, NY/Saint Joseph's
49	Ken Konek*	FB	SR	5-9	200	Charleroi, PA/Charleroi
74	Ben Kopp*	OL	SO	6-4	300	New Kensington, PA/Valley
28	Lee Lightner	DB	FR	6-2	180	Alvin, TX/Alvin
8	Matt Lytle**	QB	JR*	6-4	225	Wyomissing, PA/Wyomissing
76	Jon Marzoch***	OL	SR*	6-3	275	McKeesport, PA/McKeesport Area
	Roland Mathiey	LB	JR	6-0	225	Miami, FL/South Miami
50	Trey McCray*	DL	SO*	6-2	240	Sunrise, FL/Piper High
90	Jeff McCurley	DL	FR	6-4	250	Enon Valley, PA/Mohawk
35	Curtis McGhee***	DB	SR*	5-11	185	Bridgeport, OH/Wheeling(WV) Central Catholic
88	Kirk McMullen*	TE	SO*	6-4	250	Imperial, PA/West Allegheny

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44	Rickey Mendenhall	RB	FR	6-0	220	Morrisville, PA/Pensbury
70	Frank Moore***	DL	SR	6-3	300	Cape May Court House, NJ/Middle Township
40	Mark Moothart	FB	FR	5-11	230	Cedar Falls, IA/Columbus
81	Terry Murphy	WR	JR	6-0	175	Los Angeles, CA/Dorsey/West L.A. College
82	Andy Molinaro*	WR	SO	6-1	200	Washington, PA/Washington
77	Tony Orlandini***	OL	SR	6-5	295	West Wyoming, PA/Wyoming
	Dawan Owens	DB	JR	6-3	185	Owings Mills, MD/Pikesville
46	John Parker*	LS	SO	6-1	210	Berwick, PA/Berwick
62	Kenny Pegram**	DL	JR*	6-2	285	Washington, DC/Gonzaga
	Keith Pitts	DB	JR	5-10	180	Bellaire, OH/Bellaire
	Corey Plis	PK	JR	5-9	185	Johnstown, PA/Bishop McCort
	Mark Ponko	DB	FR	5-10	190	Delmont, PA/Franklin Regional
18	Melvin Porter	WR	FR*	5-9	150	Shreveport, LA/Fair Park
31	Hank Poteat*	RB	SO	5-11	185	Harrisburg, PA/Harrisburg
75	John Raymond	OL	JR	6-7	320	North Ridge, CA/Buena/Moorpark College
	Jason Rimpel	LB	SO	5-11	215	Queens, NY/St. Francis Prep
85	Tim Robertson	TE	FR*	6-4	235	East Orange, NJ/Essex Catholic
55	Calvin Robinson	DL	FR*	6-4	285	Dayton, OH/Meadowdale
16	Paul Ruzila	PK	FR*	5-10	165	Great Falls, VA/Langley
32	Chris Schneider**	FB	JR*	6-1	260	Trafford, PA/Penn-Trafford
24	Dwayne Schulters*	RB	SR	5-7	180	Brooklyn, NY/Canarsie/Nassau C.C.
71	Mike Schultz**	OL	JR*	6-5	325	Hampton, VA/Bethel
72	Jason Sepkowski**	OL	SR*	6-2	285	Moscow, PA/North Pocono
97	Jason Soboleski*	DL	SR*	6-4	260	Berwick, PA/Berwick Area
	Sean Stallings	DB	JR	5-10	175	Brooklyn, NY/Brooklyn Tech
	Tim Stein	WR	SO	5-8	165	Pittsburgh, PA/Upper St. Clair
25	Victor Strader	DB/RB	FR	5-9	170	Pittsburgh, PA/Penn Hills
56	Reggie Thomas***	OL	SR*	6-5	275	Humble, TX/Humble
36	Tony Thompson	FB	FR*	5-11	235	Monaca, PA/Center
22	Karim Thompson*	DB	SO*	5-11	195	Roanoke, VA/Northside
34	E.C. Varoutsos*	DB	JR*	6-1	195	Montreal, Quebec/Vanier College
78	Justin Wade*	OL	SO*	6-4	330	Library, PA/South Park
	Mykol Walters	DB	SO	5-6	170	Randallstown, MD/Mt. St. Joseph
61	Ethan Weidle*	OL	SO*	6-6	285	Lebanon, PA/Lebanon Catholic
20	Billy West***	RB	SR*	5-10	215	Smithfield, OH/Buckeye Local
2	Rasshad Whitmill**	WR	JR	5-11	185	Friendstown, TX/Clearbrook
	Abu Whittaker	LB	SR	6-3	190	Pittsburgh, PA/Perry Traditional Academy
84	Juan Williams	TE	JR*	6-1	240	Jackson, MS/Murrah/Hinds (MS)
30	LaFann Williams*	RB	SO	6-0	185	Pahokee, FL/Pahokee
87	Jackie Womack	WR	JR	5-11	180	Ruleville, MS/Ruleville H.S./Miss. Delta C.C.
92	Marlin Young**	DL	JR*	6-2	250	Miami, FL/Miami Senior
12	Tony Zimmerman*	QB	SO	6-3	225	Trafford, PA/Penn-Trafford

Pronunciation Guide

Cheo Angel (CHEE o A gell)
Chris Dilba (DEAL ba)
Khiawaatha Downey (KI a wath a)
Grant Elam (E lom)
Chris Ferencik (Fer N sick)
Andrew Grischow (GRIS chaw)
Jake Hoffart (HOE fort)
Ken Kashubara (CASH au bear a)
Eric Kasperowicz (cass per O vich)
Jon Marzoch (MAR zock)
Rickey Mendenhall (men DEN hall)
Mark Moothart (MOOT hart)
Kenny Pegram (PEE grum)
Hank Poteat (po TEET)
Jason Sepkowski (sep KOW skee)
Jason Soboleski (So bo LES kee)
E.C. Varoutsos (Va ROOT sis)
Ethan Weidle (WIDE ole)
Abu Whittaker (a BOO)
LaFann Williams (la FANE)

Coaches

Larry Coyer (COI yer)
Steve Mooshagian (MOO shay gee en)

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2	Rasshad Whitmill**	WR	JR	5-11	185	Friendstown, TX/Clearbrook
3	Cheo Angel	WR	FR	5-10	190	Sacramento, CA/Elk Grove
4	Chuck Brown**	DB	JR*	5-11	175	Bradenton, FL/Southeast
5	Eric Kasperowicz**	DB	SR	6-0	210	Pittsburgh, PA/North Hills
6	Ramel (Tiggett) Johnson	WR	FR	6-1	185	Philadelphia, PA/George Washington
7	Tray Crayton	DB	JR	6-2	175	Oceanside, CA/El Camino/Palomar College
8	Matt Lytle**	QB	JR*	6-4	225	Wyomissing, PA/Wyomissing
9	Jake Hoffart*	WR	SR	6-2	200	Yuba City,CA/Yuba City/Pacific
10	Pete Gonzalez**	QB	SR*	6-1	215	Miami, FL/Coral Park
11	Jermaine Brooks	WR	JR	5-11	175	Palmdale, CA/Highlands/Los Angeles Pierce J.C.
12	Tony Zimmerman*	QB	SO	6-3	225	Trafford, PA/Penn-Trafford
15	John Jenkins***	DB	SR*	6-2	190	East McKeesport, PA/East Allegheny
16	Paul Ruzila	PK	FR*	5-10	165	Great Falls, VA/Langley
17	Grant Coffield	PK	SO*	6-3	205	Greensburg, PA/Latrobe
18	Melvin Porter	WR	FR*	5-9	150	Shreveport, LA/Fair Park
19	Vital Joseph***	WR	SR	6-3	205	Miami, FL/Miami Edison
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21	Chiffon Allen	DB	SO	5-10	170	Passaic, NJ/Passaic
22	Karim Thompson*	DB	SO*	5-11	195	Roanoke, VA/Northside
23	Kevin Bever	P/PK	JR	5-10	185	Huntington Beach, CA/Edison/Golden West College
24	Dwayne Schulters*	RB	SR	5-7	180	Brooklyn, NY/Canarsie/Nassau C.C.
25	Victor Strader	DB/RB	FR	5-9	170	Pittsburgh, PA/Penn Hills
26	Seth Hornack*	DB	SO	5-10	190	Lower Burrell, PA/Burrell
27	Kenny Harris	DB	FR	5-11	175	Buffalo, NY/Saint Joseph
28	Lee Lightner	DB	FR	6-2	180	Alvin, TX/Alvin
29	Creg Bethea	RB	FR*	5-10	200	Jersey City, NJ/Marist
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44	Rickey Mendenhall	RB	FR	6-0	220	Morrisville, PA/Pensbury
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46	John Parker*	LS	SO	6-1	210	Berwick, PA/Berwick
47	Mark Ponko	DB	FR	5-10	190	Delmont, PA/Franklin Regional
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50	Trey McCray*	DL	SO*	6-2	240	Sunrise, FL/Piper High
51	Roderick Humphrey***	LB	SR*	6-1	235	Tulsa, OK/Booker T. Washington
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67	Mike Bosnic	OL	FR	6-6	265	Fairchance, PA/Uniontown, PA
69	Khiawatha Downey	OL	FR	6-4	340	Battleboro, NC/Northern Nash High
70	Frank Moore***	DL	SR	6-3	300	Cape May Court House, NJ/Middle Township
71	Mike Schultz**	OL	JR*	6-5	325	Hampton, VA/Bethel
72	Jason Sepkowski**	OL	SR*	6-2	285	Moscow, PA/North Pocono
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86	John Jones**	TE	JR*	6-5	240	Cleveland, OH/Glen Mills (PA)
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94	Demond Gibson*	DL	SO	6-4	320	Pittsburgh, PA/Penn Hills
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96	Chris Dilba*	DL	SO*	6-4	290	Cherry Hill, NJ/Cherry Hill West
97	Jason Soboleski*	DL	SR*	6-4	260	Berwick, PA/Berwick Area
98	Joe Conlin	TE	FR	6-5	245	Greensburg, PA/Greensburg Central Catholic
	Eugene Blackwell	DB	JR	6-1	205	Richton Park, IL/Rich South
	Andrew Etzel	DB	JR	5-10	175	Allison Park, PA/Hampton
	Bill Fuchs	PK	SO	5-8	160	Greenville, PA/Kennedy Christian
	Joe Holland	WR	JR	6-2	195	Hanover, PA/Good Council
	Bryan Jacobs	LB	FR	6-2	240	Pickerington, OH/Pickerington
	John Kanaly	DB	SO	6-1	190	Brooklyn, NY/Lafayette
	Roland Mathiey	LB	JR	6-0	225	Miami, FL/South Miami
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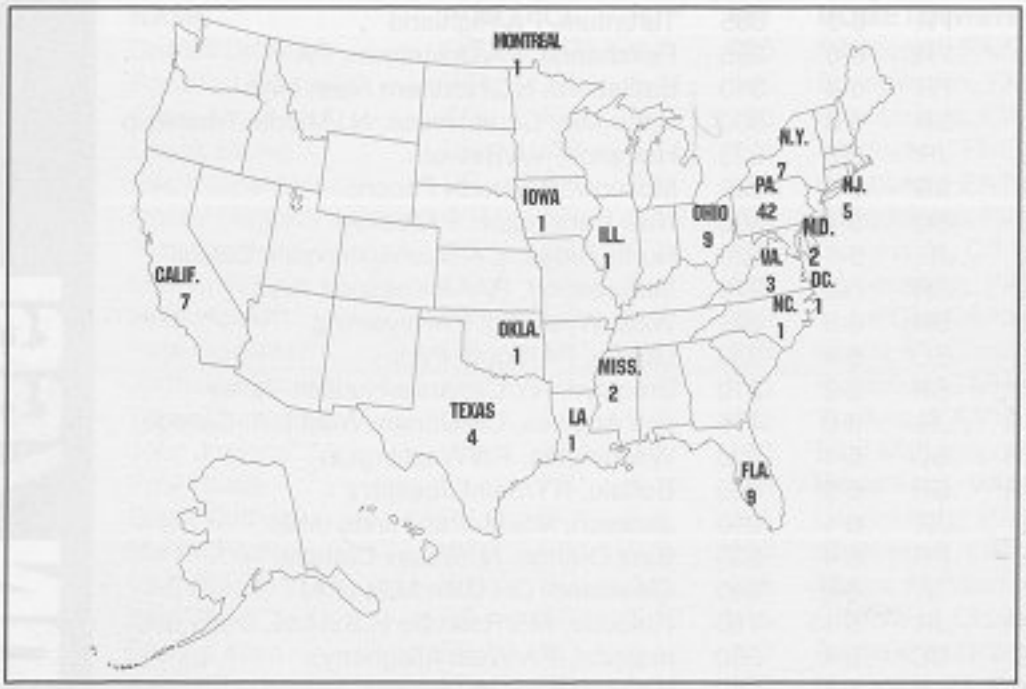
	Abu Whittaker	LB	SR	6-3	190	Pittsburgh, PA/Perry Traditional Academy

Geographical Distribution by State



California (7)
Cheo Angel (Sacramento/Elk Grove)
Kevin Bever (Hunting. Beach/Edison/Gold. West)
Jermaine Brocks (Palmdale/LA Pierce J.C.)
Tray Crayton (Oceanside/El Camino/Palomar)
Jake Holfart* (Yuba City/Yuba City/ Pacific)
Terry Murphy (Los Angeles/Dorsey/West LA.)
John Raymond (North Ridge/Moorpark College)

District of Columbia (1)
Kenny Pegram** (Washington/Gonzaga)

Florida (9)
Chuck Brown** (Bradenton/Southeast)
Phil Clarke* * (Miami/Miami Senior)
Djems Don * (North Miami/North Miami)
Pete Gonzalez** (Miami/Coral Park)
Vital Joseph** * (Miami/Miami Edison)
Roland Mathiey (Miami/South Miami)
Trey McCray * (Sunrise/Piper)
LaFann Williams* (Pahokee/Pahokee)
Marlin Young* *(Miami/Miami Senior)

Illinois (1)
Eugene Blackwell (Richton Park/Rich South)

Iowa(1)
Mark Moothart (Cedar Falls/Columbus)

Louisiana (1)
Melvin Porter (Shreveport/Fair Park)

Maryland (2)
Dawan Owens (Owings Mill/Pikesville)
Mykol Walters (Randallstown/Mt. St. Joseph)

Mississippi (2)
Juan Williams (Jackson/Murrah)
Jackie Womack (Ruleville/Ruleville/Miss. Delta)

Montreal, Quebec, Canada (1)
E.C. Varoutsos* (Montreal, Quebec/Vanier College)

New Jersey (5)
Chiffon Allen (Passaic/Passaic)
Creg Bethea (Jersey City/Marist)
Chris Diba* (Cherry Hill/Cherry Hill West)
Frank Moore*** (Cape May Court House/Middle Twp.)
Tim Robertson (East Oranga/Essex Catholic)

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Ernest Coakley * (Brooklyn/Canarsie)
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Chris Ferencik* * (Strongsville/Strongsville)
Andrew Grischow * (Lake Milton/Harding)
Bryan Jacobs (Pickerington/Pickerington)
John Jones* * (Cleveland/Glen Mills [PA])
Curtis McGhee** *(Bridgeport/Wheeling (W.Va.) Cent.. Catholic)
Keith Pitts (Bellaire/Bellaire)
Calvin Robinson (Dayton/Meadowdale)
Billy West*** (Smithfield./Buckeye Local)

Oklahoma (1)
Roderick Humphrey*** (Tulsa/Booker T. Washington)

Pennsylvania (42)
Kevan Barlow (Pittsburgh/Peabody)
Mike Bosnic (Fairchance/Uniontown)
Grant Coffield (Greensburg/Latrobe)
Joe Conlin (Greensburg/Greensburg Central)
Tom Coury (Tarentum/Highlands)
Darnell Dinkins* (Pittsburgh/Schenley)
Jason Dugger (New Wilmington/Wilmington)
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Bill Fuchs (Greenville/Kennedy Christian)
Demond Gibson* (Pittsburgh/Penn Hills)
Julian Graham* (Philadelphia/John Bartram)
Joe Holland (Hanover/Good Counsel)
Seth Hornack * (Lower Burrell/Burrell)
John Jenkins*** (East McKeesport/EastAllegheny)
Ramel (Tiggett) Johnson (Philadelphia/Geo. Wash.)
Ken Kashubara* (New Castle/Sharon)
Eric Kasperowicz** (Pittsburgh/North Hills)
Ken Konek *(Charleroi/Charleroi)
Ben Kopp *(New Kensington/Valley)
Matt Lytle* *(Wyomissing/Wyomissing)
Jon Marzoch** (McKeesport/McKeesport)
Jeff McCurley (Enon Valley/Mohawk)
Kirk McMullen* (Imperial/West Allegheny)
Rickey Mendenhall (Morrisville/Pensbury)
Andy Molinaro *(Washington/Washington)
Tony Orlandini** *(West Wyoming/Wyoming)
John Parker*(Berwick/Berwick)
Corey Plis (Johnstown/Bishop McCourt)
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Hank Poteat *(Harrisburg/Harrisburg)
Chris Schneider* *(Trafford/Penn-Trafford)
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Tony Thompson (Monaca/Center)
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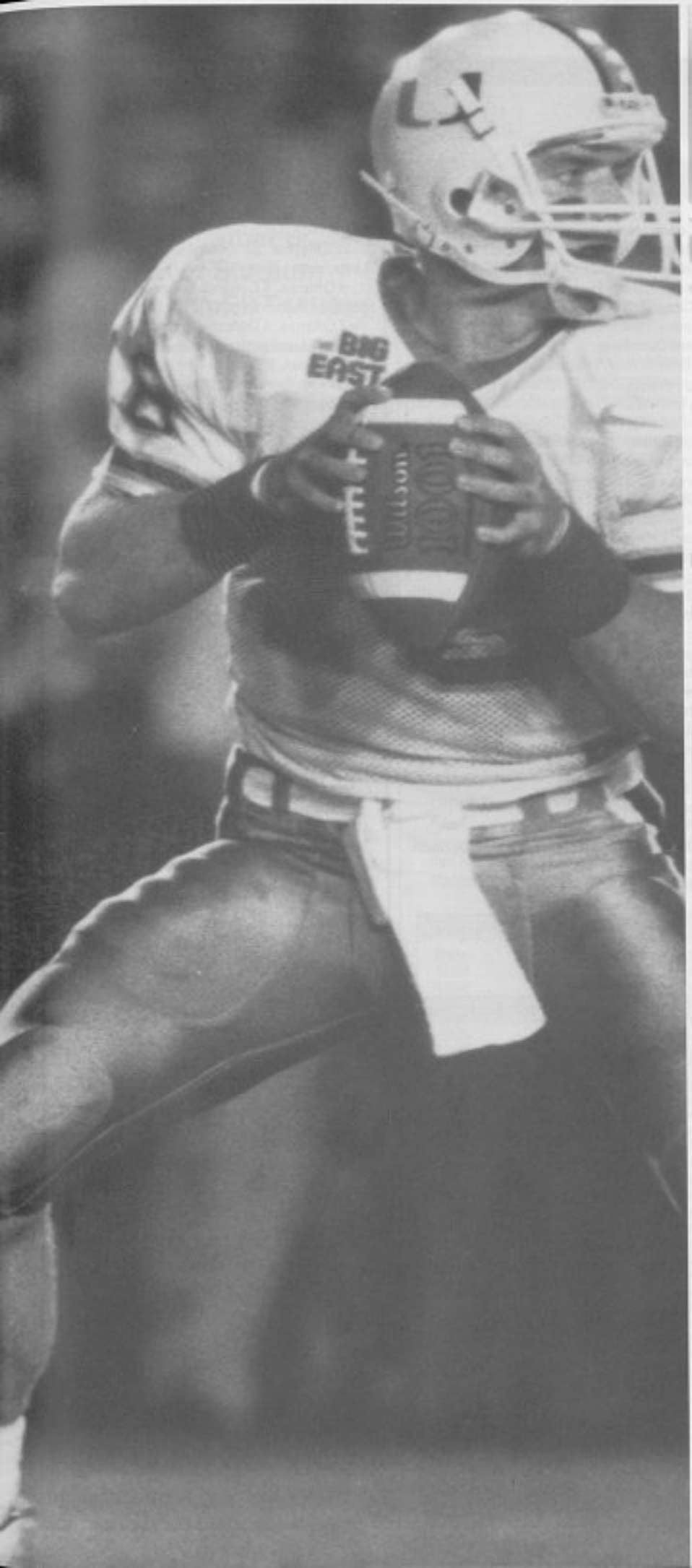

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PITTSBURGH

1997 Opponents

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

August 30
Pitt Stadium
3:30 p.m., EDT

Nelson Stokley
Head Coach

Brandon Stokley
Wide Receiver

1997 Schedule

Aug. 30	at Pittsburgh
Sept. 6	OKLAHOMA STATE
Sept. 13	at Texas Tech
Sept. 20	at Texas A&M
Sept. 27	ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM
Oct. 4	at Arkansas State
Oct. 11	NORTH ALABAMA
Oct. 25	NORTHEAST LOUISIANA
Nov. 1	TULANE
Nov. 8	at Washington State
Nov. 15	LOUISIANA TECH

1996 Results (5-6)

at Florida	55-21	L
TEXAS A&M	29-22	W
at Southern Miss	52-27	L
at Louisiana Tech	37-31	W
HOUSTON	31-24	L
ARKANSAS STATE	42-31	W
at Alabama-Birmingham	39-29	L
MEMPHIS	13-9	W
at Virginia Tech	47-16	L
NORTHERN ILLINOIS	45-31	W
at Texas Tech	56-21	L

Southwestern Louisiana Facts:

Head Coach: Nelson Stokley
Alma Mater (Year): Louisiana State (1968)
Years at Present School (Record):
11 Years (59-61-1)
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
11 Years (59-61-1)
Assistant Coaches:
Ron Brown, Asst. Head Coach/Quarterbacks
Doug Fertsch, Off. Coordinator/Offensive Line
Jerry Beach, Co-Def. Coordinator/Linebackers
Mike Doherty, Co-Def. Coordinator/Secondary
Gerald Broussard, Receivers
Marion Hobby, Defensive Line
Bob Howell, Defensive Ends
Jeff Jordan, Tight Ends/Tackles
Edwin Sheridan, Running Backs
Location: Lafayette, LA
Stadium (Capacity): Cajun Field (31,000)
Playing Surface: Grass
Press Box Phone: (318) 482-6331
Nickname: Ragin' Cajuns
Colors: Vermilion & White
Conference: Independent
Enrollment: 17,000
Director of Athletics: Nelson Schexnayder
AD's Phone Number: (318) 482-5393
Football Office Phone: (318) 482-6318
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
10-11:30 a.m., M-F
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (318) 482-6331
Fax Phone: (318) 482-6649
Sports Information Director/Football Contact:
Dan McDonald
Home Phone: (318) 988-4990

Lettermen Returning (48):
22 Offense, 23 Defense, 3 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (19):
9 Offense, 9 Defense, 1 Specialist
Starters Returning (15):
7 Offense, 5 Defense, 3 Specialists
Starters Lost (12):
4 Offense, 7 Defense, 1 Specialist
Offensive System: Multiple Pro
Defensive System: Multiple 50
Captains: Game-by-game among senior class
Offensive Starters Returning (7):
RB Darren Brister; WR Brandon Stokley; C Ben Archer; OG Marty Cannon; OT Anthony Clement; OT Chad Hakemack; OG Keith Ware
Defensive Starters Returning (5):
DE Shannon Jeffries; DB Charles Johnson; DB Garrett Johnson; DE Mario Stephens; LB Chucky Woodall
Top Returning Rushers:
Darren Brister, 130 att., 545 yards, 4.2 avg., 6 TDs
Brandon Stokley, 9 att., 45 yards, 5.0 avg., 0 TDs
Sean Guillory, 12 att., 25 yards, 2.1 avg., 2 TDs
Top Returning Passer:
Brian Soignier, 6-12, 117 yards, .500, 1 TDs
Top Returning Tacklers:
Charles Johnson, 40 solos, 27 assists, 67 total
Chucky Woodall, 29 solos, 29 assists, 58 total
Mike Ellis, 25 solos, 19 assists, 44 total
Garrett Johnson, 27 solos, 16 assists, 43 total
All-America Candidates:
WR Brandon Stokley, OT Anthony Clement, C Ben Archer, LB Chucky Woodall
Top Newcomers:
DT Charles Brown, LB Victor Hart

Pitt-Southwestern Louisiana Series:

First meeting between the schools

1997 Opponents

PENN STATE

September 6
Beaver Stadium
3:30 p.m., EDT (ABC)

Joe Paterno
Head Coach

Jim Nelson
Linebacker

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Sept. 6	PITTSBURGH
Sept. 13	TEMPLE
Sept. 20	at Louisville
Oct. 4	at Illinois
Oct. 11	OHIO STATE
Oct. 18	MINNESOTA
Nov. 1	at Northwestern
Nov. 8	MICHIGAN
Nov. 15	at Purdue
Nov. 22	WISCONSIN
Nov. 29	at Michigan State

1996 Results (11-2)

vs. Southern California	24-7	W
LOUISVILLE	24-7	W
NORTHERN ILLINOIS	49-0	W
vs. Temple	41-0	W
at Wisconsin	23-20	W
at Ohio State	38-7	L
PURDUE	31-14	W
IOWA	21-20	L
at Indiana	48-26	W
NORTHWESTERN	34-9	W
at Michigan	29-17	W
MICHIGAN STATE	32-29	W
vs. Texas+	38-15	W

+ Tostitos Fiesta Bowl

Penn State Facts:

Head Coach: Joe Paterno
Alma Mater (Year): Brown (1950)
Years at Present School (Record):
31 years (289-74-3)
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
31 years (289-74-3)
Assistant Coaches:
Dick Anderson, Quarterbacks and Passing game
Tom Bradley, Defensive Secondary
Fran Ganter, Offensive Coordinator
Kenny Jackson, Wide Receivers
Larry Johnson, Defensive Ends
Bill Kenney, Offensive Line
Jay Paterno, Tight Ends/Recruiting Coordinator
Jerry Sandusky, Defensive Coordinator
Joe Sarra, Defensive Line
Location: University Park, PA
Stadium (Capacity): Beaver Stadium (93,967)
Playing Surface: Natural Grass
Press Box Phone: (814) 863-1121
Nickname: Nittany Lions
Colors: Blue and White
Conference: Big Ten
Enrollment: 33,162 (undergraduate)
Director of Athletics: Tim Curley
AD's Phone Number: (814) 863-1086
Football Office Phone: (814) 865-0411
Best Time to Reach Head Coach:
Tuesday 12:30 p.m. Teleconference
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (814) 865-1757
Fax Phone: (814) 863-3165
Sports Information Director/Football Contact:
Jeff Nelson
Home Phone: (814) 234-1411

Lettermen Returning (40):
19 Offense, 20 Defense, 1 Specialist
Lettermen Lost (19):
9 Offense, 8 Defense, 2 Specialists
Starters Returning (13):
6 Offense, 7 Defense
Starters Lost (9):
5 Offense, 4 Defense
Offensive System: Multiple
Defensive System: Multiple
Captains: TBA
Offensive Starters Returning (6):
OT John Blick; TB Curtis Enis; WR Joe Jurevicius; WR Joe Nastasi; OG Phil Ostrowski; FB Jason Sload
Defensive Starters Returning (7):
OLB Aaron Collins; DT Matt Fornadel; hero Shawn Lee; OLB Jim Nelson; CB Shino Prater; LB Brandon Short; DE Chris Snyder
Top Returning Rushers:
Curtis Enis, 224 att., 1,210 yards, 5.4 avg., 13 TDs
Aaron Harris, 105 att., 587 yards, 5.6 avg., 9 TDs
Chris Eberly, 55 att., 281 yards, 5.1 avg., 2 TDs
Top Returning Passer:
Mike McQueary, 21-44, 388 yards, .477, 3 TDs, 2 Int.
Top Returning Tacklers:
Jim Nelson, 42 solos, 40 assists, 82 total
Aaron Collins, 45 solos, 30 assists, 75 total
All-America Candidates:
OLB Aaron Collins, TB Curtis Enis, WR Joe Jurevicius, OLB Jim Nelson, G Phil Ostrowski
Top Newcomers:
TB Joe Dawkins, DE Justin Kurpeikis

Pitt-Penn State Series:

Date	Pitt	PSU
1893	0	32
1896	4	10
1900	0	19
1901	0	33
1902	0	27
1903	0	59
1904	23	5
1905	0	6
1906	0	6
1907	6	0
1908	6	12
1909	0	5
1910	11	0
1911	0	3
1912	0	38
1913	7	6
1914	13	3
Nov. 25, 1915	20	0
Nov. 30, 1916	31	0
Nov. 29, 1917	28	6
Nov. 28, 1918	28	6
Nov. 27, 1919	0	20
Nov. 25, 1920	0	0
Nov. 24, 1921	0	0
Nov. 30, 1922	14	0
Nov. 29, 1923	20	3
Nov. 27, 1924	24	3
Nov. 26, 1925	23	7
Nov. 25, 1926	24	6
Nov. 24, 1927	30	0
Nov. 29, 1928	26	0
Nov. 28, 1929	20	7
Nov. 26, 1930	19	12
Oct. 31, 1931	41	6
Oct. 26, 1935	9	0
Nov. 7, 1936	34	7
Nov. 20, 1937	28	7
Nov. 19, 1938	26	0
Nov. 25, 1939	0	10
Nov. 23, 1940	20	7
Nov. 22, 1941	7	31
Nov. 21, 1942	6	14
Nov. 20, 1943	0	14
Nov. 25, 1944	14	0
Nov. 24, 1945	7	0
Nov. 23, 1946	14	7
Nov. 22, 1947	0	29
Nov. 20, 1948	7	0
Nov. 19, 1949	19	0
Nov. 25, 1950	20	21
Nov. 24, 1951	13	7
Nov. 22, 1952	0	17
Nov. 21, 1953	0	17
Nov. 20, 1954	0	13
Nov. 19, 1955	20	0
Nov. 24, 1956	7	7
Nov. 23, 1957	14	13
Nov. 27, 1958	21	25
Nov. 21, 1959	22	7
Nov. 19, 1960	3	14
Nov. 25, 1961	26	47
Nov. 24, 1962	0	16
Nov. 23, 1963	22	21
Nov. 21, 1964	0	28
Nov. 20, 1965	30	27
Nov. 19, 1966	24	48
Nov. 25, 1967	6	42
Nov. 23, 1968	9	65
Nov. 22, 1969	7	27
Nov. 21, 1970	15	35
Nov. 20, 1971	18	55
Nov. 25, 1972	27	49
Nov. 24, 1973	13	35
Nov. 23, 1974	10	31
Nov. 22, 1975	6	7
Nov. 26, 1976	24	7
Nov. 19, 1977	13	15
Nov. 25, 1978	10	17
Nov. 24, 1979	29	14
Nov. 22, 1980	14	9
Nov. 28, 1981	14	48
Nov. 26, 1982	10	19
Nov. 19, 1983	24	24
Nov. 24, 1984	31	11
Nov. 23, 1985	0	31
Nov. 22, 1986	14	34
Nov. 14, 1987	10	0
Nov. 12, 1988	14	7
Nov. 25, 1989	13	16
Nov. 24, 1990	17	22
Nov. 28, 1991	20	32
Nov. 21, 1992	13	57

TOTALS: Pitt 41, Penn State 47, Tied 4 — Total Points: Pitt 1,217, Penn State 1,500

1997 Opponents

HOUSTON

September 13
Robertson Stadium
3 p.m., EDT (Fox Sports)

Kim Helton
Head Coach

Mike Parker
Linebacker

1997 Schedule

Aug. 30	at Alabama	
Sept. 6	CALIFORNIA+	
Sept. 13	PITTSBURGH	
Sept. 27	at Minnesota	
Oct. 4	at UCLA	
Oct. 18	CINCINNATI+	
Oct. 25	at Louisville	
Nov. 1	at Memphis	
Nov. 8	EAST CAROLINA	
Nov. 15	at Southern Miss	
Nov. 22	TULANE+	

+Astrodome

1996 Results (7-5)

SAM HOUSTON	43-25	W
at LSU	35-34	L
at Pittsburgh	42-35(OT)	W
USC	26-9	L
at Southwestern Louisiana	31-24	W
MEMPHIS	37-20	W
at Cincinnati	31-20	L
NORTH CAROLINA	42-14	L
at Tulane	20-17	W
SOUTHERN MISS	56-49(OT)	W
LOUISVILLE	38-7	W
vs. Syracuse#	30-17	L

Liberty Bowl

Houston Facts:

Head Coach: Kim Helton
Alma Mater (Year): Florida (1970)
Years at Present School (Record):
Four years (11-33-1)
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
Four years (11-33-1)
Assistant Coaches:
Dan Lounsbury, Off. Coordinator/Quarterbacks
Gary Bartel, Def. Coord./Defensive Backs
Chad O'Shea, Wide Receivers
Tony Fitzpatrick, Defensive Line
Frank Ganz Jr., Tight Ends/Special Teams
Clay Helton, Running Backs
Ted Unbehagen, Offensive Line
Andrea Haley, Outside Linebackers
Danny Palmer, Inside Linebackers
Location: Houston, TX
Stadium: Astrodome (60,000)/
Robertson Stadium (23,000)
Playing Surface: AstroTurf/Grass
Press Box Phone: TBA
Nickname: Cougars
Colors: Scarlet and White
Conference: Conference USA
Enrollment: 30,757
Athletics Director: TBA
AD's Phone Number: (713) 743-9370
Football Office Phone: (713) 743-9388
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
Mornings
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (713) 743-9404
Fax Phone: (713) 743-9411
Assistant AD for Sports Information/
Football Contact: Donna Turner
Home Phone: (713) 980-8572

Lettermen Returning (43):
18 Offense, 23 Defense, 2 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (13):
9 Offense, 3 Defense, 1 Specialist
Starters Returning (18):
6 Offense, 10 Defense, 2 Specialists
Starters Lost (9):
6 Offense, 2 Defense, 1 Specialist
Offensive System: Multiple Pro
Defensive System: Multiple 3-4
Captains: Game Captains
Offensive Starters Returning (6):
OG Greg Brown; C Ben Fricke; TE Rodney Griffin; OG Wilbert Brown; OG Truett Nowosad; WR Robbie Wheeler
Defensive Starters Returning (10):
LB Jason Brown; DB William Fields; SS Stedmon Forman; DE Rusty Foster; DE Louis Hampton; LB Mike Parker; DT Leonta Rheams; FS Malik Ledbetter; DE Antoine Simpson; LB Vaugh Washington
Top Returning Rusher:
Ketric Sanford, 146 Att., 747 Yds., 5.1 Avg., 7 TDs
Top Returning Passer:
Tyson Helton, 1 att., 0 yards, 0 avg., 0 TDs
Top Returning Tacklers:
Mike Parker, 57 solos, 47 assists, 104 total
Stedmon Forman, 53 solos, 24 assists, 77 total
All-America Candidates:
LB Mike Parker, RB Ketric Sanford
Top Newcomers:
WR Orlando Iglesias, OL Jabari Beauford, DB Kendall Williams, RB Vaughn Inniss, LB Theoran Walker

Pitt-Houston Series:

Date	Pitt	Houston
Sept. 14, 1996	35	42 (OT)

TOTALS: Pitt 0, Houston 1—Total Points: Pitt 35, Houton 42

1997 Opponents

MIAMI (Fla.)

September 18
Pitt Stadium
8 p.m., EDT (ESPN)
(Homecoming)

Butch Davis
Head Coach

Dyral McMillan
Running Back

MIAMI

1997 Schedule

Aug. 30	at Baylor
Sept. 13	ARIZONA STATE
Sept. 18	at Pittsburgh
Sept. 27	WEST VIRGINIA
Oct. 4	at Florida State
Oct. 18	at Boston College
Oct. 25	TEMPLE
Nov. 1	ARKANSAS STATE
Nov. 8	at Virginia Tech
Nov. 15	RUTGERS
Nov. 29	SYRACUSE

1996 Results (9-3)

at Memphis	30-7	W
THE CITADEL	52-6	W
at Rutgers	33-0	W
PITTSBURGH	45-0	W
FLORIDA STATE	34-16	L
EAST CAROLINA	31-6	L
at West Virginia	10-7	W
at Temple	57-26	W
VIRGINIA TECH	21-7	L
BOSTON COLLEGE	43-26	W
at Syracuse	38-31	W
vs. Virginia+	31-21	W

+ Carquest Bowl

Miami Facts:

Head Coach: Butch Davis
Alma Mater (Year): Arkansas (1974)
Years at Present School (Record):
Two Years (17-6)
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
Two Years (17-6)
Assistant Coaches:
Larry Coker, Offensive Coordinator
Bill Miller, Defensive Coordinator
Art Kehoe, Offensive Line
Chuck Pagano, Defensive Backs
Greg Mark, Defensive Line
Randy Shannon, Linebackers
Don Soldinger, Running Backs
Curtis Johnson, Wide Receivers
Rob Chudzinski, Tight Ends
Location: Coral Gables, FL
Stadium (Capacity): Orange Bowl (72,319)
Playing Surface:
Prescription Athletic Turf (Natural)
Press Box Phone: TBA
Nickname: Hurricanes
Colors: Orange, Green and White
Conference: Big East
Enrollment: 13,842
Director of Athletics: Paul Dee
AD's Phone Number: (305) 284-3822
Football Office Phone: (305) 284-2563
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
Arrange interviews through SID Office
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (305) 284-3244
Fax Phone: (305) 284-2807
Asst. Athletic Director for Communications:
Linda Britton
Home Phone: (305) 247-6783
Sports Information Director/Football Contact:
Bob Burda
Home Phone: (305) 596-7192

Lettermen Returning (39):
18 Offense, 14 Defense, 7 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (23):
14 Offense, 9 Defense
Starters Returning (10):
7 Offense, 3 Defense
Starters Lost (12):
4 Offense, 8 Defense
Offensive System: Pro Set
Defensive System: 4-3 Multiple
Captains: TBA
Offensive Starters Returning (7):
OL Kerlin Blaise; OL Richard Mercier; OL Mike Wehner; TE Chris Jones; RB Dyral McMillan; RB Nick Williams; QB Ryan Clement
Defensive Starters Returning (3):
DL Denny Fortney; DL Michael Lawson; DB Duane Starks
Top Returning Rushers:
Dyral McMillan, 111 att., 565 yards, 5.1 avg., 4 TDs
Edgerrin James, 71 att., 457 yards, 6.4 avg., 2 TDs
Top Returning Passer:
Ryan Clement, 164-272, .603, 2,257 yards, 19 TDs, 8 int.
Top Returning Tacklers:
Denny Fortney, 27 solos, 23 assists, 50 total
Rod Mack, 29 solos, 14 assists, 43 total
Duane Starks, 28 solos, 9 assists 37 total
All-America Candidate:
QB Ryan Clement
Top Newcomers:
QB Kenny Kelly, RB Najeh Davenport, OL/DL Adrian Wilson

Pitt-Miami Series:

Date	Pitt	Miami
Oct. 28, 1950	0	28
Dec. 7, 1951	21	7
Oct. 29, 1955	7	21
Dec. 8, 1956	14	7
Dec. 7, 1957	13	28
Oct. 8, 1960	17	6
Sept. 16, 1961	10	7
Sept. 15, 1962	14	23
Nov. 30, 1963	31	20
Oct. 17, 1964	20	20
Oct. 23, 1965	28	14
Nov. 11, 1966	14	38
Oct. 21, 1967	0	58
Nov. 1, 1968	0	48
Oct. 24, 1970	28	17
Oct. 16, 1976	36	19
Oct. 20, 1984	7	27
Nov. 8, 1986	10	37
Nov. 11, 1989	3	24
Nov. 3, 1990	0	45
Nov. 6, 1993	7	35
Nov. 12, 1994	12	17
Oct. 21, 1995	16	17
Sept. 28, 1996	0	45

TOTALS: Pitt 8, Miami 15, Tied 1—Total Points: Pitt 308, Miami 608

1997 Opponents

TEMPLE

October 4
Veterans Stadium
Noon, EDT (Big East TV)

Ron Dickerson
Head Coach

Pat Bonner
Quarterback

1997 Schedule

Aug. 28	at Western Michigan
Sept. 6	BOSTON COLLEGE
Sept. 13	at Penn State
Sept. 20	VIRGINIA TECH
Sept. 27	MARYLAND#
Oct. 4	PITTSBURGH
Oct. 18	at Syracuse
Oct. 25	at Miami
Nov. 1	RUTGERS
Nov. 8	at Navy
Nov. 15	at West Virginia

at Franklin Field

1996 Results (1-10)

at Eastern Michigan	28-24	W
WASHINGTON STATE	38-34	L
at Bowling Green	20-16	L
PENN STATE+	41-0	L
at Pittsburgh	53-52	L
at Virginia Tech	38-0	L
WEST VIRGINIA	30-10	L
at Rutgers	28-17	L
MIAMI	57-26	L
at Boston College	21-20	L
SYRACUSE	36-15	L

+at Giants Stadium

Temple Facts:

Head Coach: Ron Dickerson
Alma Mater (Year): Kansas State (1971)
Years at Present School (Record):
Four years (5-39)
Years Coaching (Overall):
Four years (5-39)
Assistant Coaches:
Ron McCrone, Assistant Head Coach
Lew Carpenter, Offensive Coordinator
Eric Gudger, Wide Receivers
Ted Heath, Defensive Line
Mike MacIntyre, Defensive Backs
Chris Roulhac, Running Backs
Bob Stanley, Offensive Line
Rocky Hager, TBA
Location: Philadelphia, PA
Stadium (Capacity): Veterans Stadium (66,592)
Press Box Phone: (215) 271-1015
Nickname: Owls
Colors: Cherry and White
Conference: Big East
Enrollment: 30,000
Director of Athletics: Dave O'Brien
AD's Phone Number: (215) 204-7447
Football Office Phone: (215) 204-7441
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
Arrange interviews through SID Office
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (215) 204-7445
Fax Phone: (215) 204-7499
Asst. AD for Communications/ Football Contact:
Scott Cathcart
Home Phone: (609) 753-7114

Lettermen Returning (36):
18 Offense, 14 Defense, 4 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (15):
7 Offense, 8 Defense
Starters Returning (21):
11 Offense, 7 Defense, 3 Specialists
Starters Lost (12):
5 Offense, 7 Defense
Offensive System: Pro-Set
Defensive System: 4-3
Captains: TBA
Offensive Starters Returning (11): OT Roger Chanoine; C J.J. Cardona; TE Wendell Davis; OT Damien Grant; FB Brent Johnstone; WR Troy Kersey; TB Ramod Lee; OG Charlie Morris; OG Scott Oster; OG Shawn Overocker; WR Kevin Walker
Defensive Starters Returning (7): CB Lamond Adams; LB Decara Burgess; DT Larry Chester; S Marcus Counts; CB Tom Indio; DE Robert Kelly; S Excel Lucas
Top Returning Rushers:
Ramod Lee, 130 att., 526 yards, 4.0 avg., 10 TDs
Franklin McBride, 22 att., 105 yards, 4.8 avg.
Top Returning Passer:
Pat Bonner, 22-56, 388 yards, .482, 2 TDs, 3 Int.
Top Returning Tacklers:
Marcus Counts, 47 solos, 23 assists, 70 total
Tom Indio, 52 solos, 9 assists, 61 total
Lamond Adams, 50 solos, 8 assists, 58 total
All-America Candidates:
CB Lamond Adams, OT Roger Chanoine, WR/KR Kevin Walker
Top Newcomers:
QB Kevin Harvey, RB Stacey Mack, RB Elmarko Jackson, LB Tomiko Godbold, LB Ramone Budgetts, S Deon Porter, TE/LB Raheem Brock, DT Kenyatta Williamson

Pitt-Temple Series:

Date	Pitt	Temple
Oct. 1, 1938	28	6
Nov. 4, 1939	13	7
Oct. 27, 1945	0	6
Oct. 12, 1946	0	0
Nov. 9, 1974	35	24
Oct. 11, 1975	55	6
Sept. 25, 1976	21	7
Sept. 24, 1977	76	0
Sept. 23, 1978	20	12
Sept. 29, 1979	10	9
Sept. 27, 1980	36	2
Nov. 21, 1981	35	0
Oct. 16, 1982	38	17
Sept. 10, 1983	35	0
Sept. 22, 1984	12	13
Nov. 9, 1985	21	17
Oct. 4, 1986	13	19
Sept. 19, 1987	21	24
Oct. 15, 1988	42	7
Oct. 7, 1989	27	3
Nov. 10, 1990	18	28
Sept. 14, 1991	26	7
Oct. 17, 1992	27	20
Nov. 20, 1993	28	10
Oct. 29, 1994	45	19
Oct. 14, 1995	27	29
Oct. 5, 1996	53	52

TOTALS: Pitt 20, Temple 6, Tied 1 — Total Points: Pitt 762, Temple 344

1997 Opponents

NOTRE DAME

October 11
Pitt Stadium
3:30 p.m., EDT (CBS)

Bob Davie
Head Coach

Ron Powlus
Quarterback

1997 Schedule

Sept. 6	GEORGIA TECH
Sept. 13	at Purdue
Sept. 20	MICHIGAN STATE
Sept. 27	at Michigan
Oct. 4	at Stanford
Oct. 11	at Pittsburgh
Oct. 18	USC
Oct. 25	BOSTON COLLEGE
Nov. 1	NAVY
Nov. 15	at LSU
Nov. 22	WEST VIRGINIA
Nov. 29	at Hawaii

1996 Results (8-3)

at Vanderbilt	14-6	W
PURDUE	35-0	W
at Texas	27-24	W
OHIO STATE	29-16	L
WASHINGTON	54-20	W
AIR FORCE	20-17 (OT)	L
vs. Navy+	54-27	W
at Boston College	48-21	W
PITTSBURGH	60-6	W
RUTGERS	62-0	W
at USC	27-20 (OT)	L

+Dublin, Ireland

Notre Dame Facts:

Head Coach: Bob Davie
Alma Mater (Year): Youngstown State (1976)
Years at Present School (Record):
First year
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
First year
Assistant Coaches:
Greg Mattison, Def. Coord./Inside Linebackers
Jim Colletto, Off. Coordinator/Offensive Line
Kirk Doll, Outside Linebackers/Special Teams
Tom McMahon, Defensive Secondary
Bob Chmiel, Recruiting Coordinator
Urban Meyer, Receivers
Desmond Robinson, Running Backs
Mike Sanford, Quarterbacks
Charlie Strong, Defensive Line
Location: Notre Dame, IN
Stadium (Capacity):
Notre Dame Stadium — TBA
Playing Surface: Natural Grass
Press Box Phone: (219) 631-7810
Nickname: Fighting Irish
Colors: Blue and Gold
Conference: Independent
Enrollment: 10,126
Director of Athletics: Mike Wadsworth
AD's Phone Number: (219) 631-6107
Football Office Phone: (219) 631-7475
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
Tuesday Teleconference
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (219) 631-7516
Fax Phone: (219) 631-7941
Sports Information Director/Football Contact:
John Heisler
Home Phone: (219) 277-3523
Assistant Sports Information Director:
Mike Enright
Home Phone: (219) 287-8624

Lettermen Returning (46):
22 Offense, 19 Defense, 5 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (22):
10 Offense, 11 Defense, 1 Specialist
Starters Returning (15):
7 Offense,6 Defense, 2 Specialists
Starters Lost (9):
4 Offense, 5 Defense
Offensive System: Multiple
Defensive System: 3-4
Captains: Ron Poulus, Melvin Dansby, Allen Rossum
Offensive Starters Returning (7):
QB Ron Powlus; RB Autry Denson; SE Malcolm Johnson; C Rick Kaczenski; OG Mike Rosenthal; OT Chris Clevenger; OT Mike Doughty
Defensive Starters Returning (6):
DE Melvin Dansby; OLB Kory Minor; CB Allen Rossum; CB Ivory Covington; SS Benny Guilbeaux; FS Jarvis Edison
Top Returning Rushers:
Autry Denson, 137 att., 695 yards, 5.1 avg., 8 TDs
Jamie Spencer, 38 att., 222 yards, 5.8 avg., 5 TDs
Top Returning Passer:
Ron Powlus, 124-217, 1,853 yards, .571, 12 TDs, 7 Int.
Top Returning Tacklers:
Benny Gilbeaux, 44 solos, 18 assists, 62 total
Melvin Dansby, 29 solos, 26 assists, 55 total
Kory Minor, 32 solos, 21 assists, 53 total
Ivory Covington, 42 solos, 11 assists, 53 total
All-America Candidates:
QB Ron Powlus, OG Mike Rosenthal, OLB Kory Minor, CB Allen Rossum
Top Newcomers:
TB Tony Driver, TB Cooper Rego, LB Grant Irons, TE Jabari Holloway, OL Kurt Vollers

Pitt-Notre Dame Series:

Year	Pitt	ND
Oct. 25, 1909	0	6
Oct. 24,1911	0	0
Nov. 2, 1912	0	3
Oct. 25, 1930	19	35
Oct. 23, 1931	12	25
Oct. 29, 1932	12	0
Oct. 28, 1933	14	0
Nov. 3, 1934	19	0
Oct. 19, 1935	6	9
Oct. 24, 1936	26	0
Nov. 6, 1937	21	6
Sept. 25, 1943	0	41
Sept. 30, 1944	0	58
Oct. 20, 1945	9	39
Oct. 5, 1946	0	33
Oct. 4, 1947	6	40
Oct. 2, 1948	0	40
Nov. 11, 1950	7	18
Oct. 20, 1951	0	33
Oct. 11, 1952	22	18
Oct. 17, 1953	14	23
Oct. 9, 1954.	0	33
Oct. 10, 1956	26	13
Oct. 26,1957	7	13
Nov. 8, 1958	29	26
Nov. 14, 1959	28	13
Nov. 5, 1960	20	13
Nov. 11, 1961	20	26
Oct. 10, 1962	22	43
Nov. 9, 1963	27	7
Nov. 7, 1964	15	17
Nov. 6, 1965	13	69
Nov. 5, 1966	0	40
Nov. 11, 1967	0	38
Nov. 9, 1968	7	56
Nov. 8, 1969	7	49
Nov. 7, 1970	14	46
Nov. 6, 1971	7	56
Oct. 14, 1972	16	42
Oct. 10, 1973	10	31
Nov. 16, 1974	10	14
Nov. 15, 1975	34	20
Sept. 11, 1976	31	10
Sept. 10, 1977	9	19
Oct. 14, 1978	17	26
Nov. 6, 1982	16	31
Nov. 5, 1983	21	16
Oct. 11, 1986	10	9
Oct. 10, 1987	30	22
Oct. 8, 1988	20	30
Oct. 27, 1990	22	31
Oct. 12, 1991	7	42
Oct. 10, 1992	21	52
Oct. 9, 1993	0	44
Nov. 16, 1996	6	60

TOTALS: Pitt 16, Notre Dame 39, Tied 1 — Points: Pitt 709, Notre Dame 1,474

1997 Opponents

RUTGERS

October 25
Rutgers Stadium
Noon, EDT (Big East TV)

Terry Shea
Head Coach

Pat Sheridan
Linebacker

1997 Schedule

Aug. 30	VIRGINIA TECH
Sept. 6	at Texas
Sept. 13	at Navy
Sept. 20	BOSTON COLLEGE
Oct.4	at West Virginia
Oct. 9	SYRACUSE
Oct. 18	at Army
Oct. 25	PITTSBURGH
Nov. 1	at Temple
Nov. 8	WAKE FOREST
Nov. 15	at Miami

1996 Results (2-9)

VILLANOVA	38-28	W
NAVY	10-6	L
MIAMI	33-0	L
at Virginia Tech	30-14	L
at Syracuse	42-0	L
ARMY+	42-21	L
at Boston College	37-13	L
TEMPLE	28-17	W
WEST VIRGINIA	55-14	L
at Notre Dame	62-0	L
at Pittsburgh	24-9	L

+ at Giants Stadium

Rutgers Facts:

Head Coach: Terry Shea
Alma Mater (Year): Oregon (1968)
Years at Present School: One year (2-9)
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
Three years (17-15-2)
Assistant Coaches:
Rod Sharpless, Defensive Coordinator
Jim Benedict, Wide Receivers
Skip Fuller, Strength and Speed Enhancement
James Saxon, Running Backs
Mike Gibson, Special Teams/Tight Ends
Charlie West, Defensive Backs
Bill Laveroni, Offensive Line
Dave Steckel, Defensive Line
Billy Thompson, Linebackers
Mario Verduzco, Recruiting and Evaluation
Location: New Brunswick, NJ
Stadium (Capacity): Rutgers Stadium (41,500)
Playing Surface: Natural Grass
Press Box Phone: (732) 445-0535
Nickname: Scarlet Knights
Colors: Scarlet
Conference: Big East
Enrollment: 33,000
Director of Athletics: Frederick E. Gruninger
AD's Phone Number: (732) 932-8610
Football Office Phone: (732) 445-5100
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
Monday Big East Teleconference; Sunday 6:30 p.m. conference call
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (732) 445-4200
Fax Phone: (732) 445-3063, 3636
Sports Information Director/Football Contact:
Peter Kowalski

Lettermen Returning (39):
13 Offense, 23 Defense, 3 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (20):
12 Offense, 8 Defense
Starters Returning (14):
5 Offense, 7 Defense, 2 Specialists
Starters Lost (10):
6 Offense, 4 Defense
Offensive System: Multiple
Defensive System: 4-4-3
Captains: TBA
Offensive Starters Returning (5):
C Jack McKiernan; WR Steven Harper; WR Andy Holland; LT Kerry Ware & Pete Donnelly (shared); LG Ben French
Defensive Starters Returning (7):
FS Thomas Kelly; ILB Aaron Brady; ILB Taman Bryant; OLB Norris Crawford; DE Charles Woolridge; DE Chris Cebula; OLB Gil Ross & Roger Wingate (shared)
Specialist Starters Returning (2):
PK Nick Mike-Mayer; P Jared Slovan
Top Returning Rushers:
Jacki Crooks, 76 att., 268 yards, 3.5 avg, 1 TD
Gary Fauntleroy, 50 att., 183 yards, 3.7 avg, 0 TD
Top Returning Passer:
NA
Top Returning Tacklers:
Aaron Brady, 74 solos, 18 assists, 92 total
Thomas Kelly, 55 solos, 26 assists, 81 total
Taman Bryant, 61 solos, 19 assists, 80 total
Charles Woolridge, 37 solos, 32 assists, 69 total
All-America Candidates:
ILB Brian Sheridan; WR Reggie Funderburk
Top Newcomers:
DE Frank Battle; DB Reggie Stephens; TE Billy Woodard

Pitt-Rutgers Series:

Date	Pitt	Rutgers
Nov. 7, 1981	47	3
Nov. 20, 1982	52	6
Oct. 19, 1985	38	10
Nov. 15, 1986	20	6
Nov. 7, 1987	17	0
Nov. 5, 1988	20	10
Dec. 2, 1989	46	29
Oct. 13, 1990	45	21
Nov. 9, 1991	22	17
Sept. 17, 1992	16	21
Oct. 28, 1993	21	10
Nov. 19, 1994	35	21
Oct. 28, 1995	24	42
Nov. 30, 1996	24	9

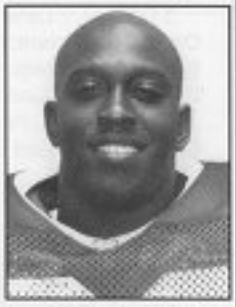
TOTALS: Pitt 12, Rutgers 2 — Total Points: Pitt 427, Rutgers 205

1997 Opponents

BOSTON COLLEGE

November 1
Alumni Stadium
3:30 p.m., EST

Tom O'Brien
Head Coach



Omari Walker
Running Back

1997 Schedule

Sept. 6	at Temple
Sept. 13	WEST VIRGINIA
Sept. 20	at Rutgers
Sept. 27	CINCINNATI
Oct. 4	GEORGIA TECH
Oct. 11	at Virginia Tech
Oct. 18	MIAMI
Oct. 25	at Notre Dame
Nov. 1	PITTSBURGH
Nov. 8	at Syracuse
Nov.22	ARMY

1996 Results (5-7)

at Hawaii	24-21	W
VIRGINIA TECH	45-7	L
at Michigan	20-14	L
NAVY	43-38	W
at West Virginia	34-17	L
at Cincinnati	24-17	W
RUTGERS	37-13	W
SYRACUSE	45-17	L
at Pittsburgh	20-13	L
NOTRE DAME	48-21	L
TEMPLE	21-20	W
at Miami	43-26	L

Boston College Facts:

Head Coach: Tom O'Brien
Alma Mater (Year): U.S. Naval Academy (1971)
Years at Present School (Record):
First year
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
First year
Assistant Coaches:
Jerry Petercuskie, Ast. Head Coach/Spec. Teams
Jeff Jagodzinski, Off. Coord./Offensive Line
Tim Rose, Def. Coord./Inside Linebackers
Don Treadwell, Passing/Wide Receivers
Al Golden, Linebackers
Don Horton, Tight Ends
Mike London, Defensive Line
Jerry Rosburg, Defensive Backs
Frank Spaziani, Running Backs
Location: Chestnut Hill, MA
Stadium (Capacity): Alumni Stadium (44,500)
Playing Surface: PolyNit
Press Box Phone: (617) 552-4747
Nickname: Eagles
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Conference: Big East
Enrollment: 14,830
Director of Athletics: Chet Gladchuk
AD's Phone Number: (617) 552-4860
Football Office Phone: (617) 552-3010
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
Teleconference 12:30 p.m. Tuesday
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (617) 552-3004
Fax Phone: (617) 552-4903
Associate AD Sports Information/ Football Contact:
Reid Oslin
Home Phone: (781) 826-6661*
* New area code effective Sept. 1

Lettermen Returning (42):
21 Offense, 19 Defense, 2 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (11):
5 Offense, 6 Defense
Starters Returning (18):
9 Offense, 7 Defense, 2 Specialists
Starters Lost (6):
2 Offense, 4 Defense
Offensive System: Multiple
Defensive System: 4-3
Captains: TBA
Offensive Starters Returning (9):
QB Matt Hasselbeck; RB Omari Walker; TE Todd Pollack; WR Dennis Harding; WR Anthony DiCosmo; C Damien Woody; OT Darnell Alford; OG Doug Brzezinski; TE Michael Hemmert
Defensive Starters Returning (7):
DE Chris Hovan; DE Erik Storz; LB Markell Blount; LB Brian Maye; CB Tim Davis; CB Shalom Tolefree; S Pedro Cerino
Top Returning Rushers:
Omari Walker, 261 att., 1,199 yards, 4.6 avg., 13 TDs
Mike Cloud, 68 att., 359 yards, 5.3 avg., 1 TD
Quinton Lee, 34 att., 149 yards, 4.4 avg., 0 TD
Top Returning Passer:
Matt Hasselbeck, 171-330, 1,990 yards, .518, 9 TDs, 9 Int.
Top Returning Tacklers:
Brian Maye, 53 solos, 38 assists, 91 total
Erik Storz, 38 solos, 39 assists, 77 total
Shalom Tolefree, 41 solos, 12 assists, 53 total
Pedro Cirino, 27 solos, 23 assists, 50 total
Markell Blount, 32 solos, 14 assists, 46 total
All-America Candidates: RB Omari Walker, LB Brian Maye, TE Todd Pollack
Top Newcomers:
TE Robert Ellis, QB Tim Hasselbeck, QB David Robbins

Pitt-Boston College Series:

Date	Pitt	BC
Nov. 7, 1959	22	14
Nov. 14, 1970	6	21
Oct. 23, 1971	22	40
Oct. 21, 1972	35	20
Oct. 20, 1973	28	14
Oct. 19, 1974	35	11
Oct. 1, 1977	45	7
Oct. 7, 1978	32	15
Oct. 6, 1979	28	7
Sept. 13, 1980	14	6
Oct. 31, 1981	29	24
Sept. 21, 1985	22	29
Oct. 3, 1987	10	13
Oct. 1, 1988	31	34
Sept. 9, 1989	29	10
Sept. 8, 1990	29	6
Nov. 2, 1991	12	38
Nov. 13, 1993	0	33
Sept. 24, 1994	9	21
Oct. 7, 1995	0	17
Oct. 31, 1996	20	13

Totals: Pitt 12, Boston College 9 — Total Points: Pitt 458, Boston College 393

1997 Opponents

SYRACUSE

November 15
Pitt Stadium
3:30 p.m., EST

Paul Pasqualoni
Head Coach

Donovan McNabb
Quarterback

1997 Schedule

Aug. 24	vs. Wisconsin#	
Aug. 30	NORTH CAROLINA STATE	
Sept. 6	at Oklahoma	
Sept. 13	at Virginia Tech	
Sept. 20	TULANE	
Oct. 4	EAST CAROLINA	
Oct. 9	at Rutgers	
Oct. 19	TEMPLE	
Nov. 1	WEST VIRGINIA	
Nov. 8	BOSTON COLLEGE	
Nov. 15	at Pittsburgh	
Nov. 29	at Miami	

Kickoff Classic at Giants Stadium

1996 Results (9-3)

NORTH CAROLINA	27-10	L
at Minnesota	35-33	L
VIRGINIA TECH	52-21	W
RUTGERS	42-0	W
PITTSBURGH	55-7	W
at Boston College	45-17	W
at West Virginia	30-7	W
at Tulane	31-7	W
ARMY	42-17	W
at Temple	36-15	W
MIAMI	38-31	L
vs. Houston+	30-17	W

+Liberty Bowl

Syracuse Facts:

Head Coach: Paul Pasqualoni
Alma Mater (Year): Penn State (1972)
Years at Present School:
Six years (51-18-1)
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
11 years (85-35-1)
Assistant Coaches:
Kevin Rogers, Off. Coordinator/Quarterbacks
Steve Addazio, Offensive Line
Jeff Stoutland, Tight Ends/Recr. Coordinator
Teryl Austin, Secondary
Norm Gerber, Def. Coordinator/Linebackers
Bob Griffin, Wide Receivers
Ed Orgeron, Defensive Line
Chris Rippon, Outside Linebackers/Special Teams
David Walker, Running Backs
Location: Syracuse, NY
Stadium (Capacity): Carrier Dome (50,000)
Playing Surface: AstroTurf
Press Box Phone: (315) 443-4241
Nickname: Orangemen
Colors: Orange
Conference: Big East
Enrollment: 10,000
Director of Athletics: Jake Crouthamel
AD's Phone Number: (315) 444-2385
Football Office Phone: (315) 443-4817
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
Contact SID
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (315) 443-2608
Fax Phone: (315) 443-2076
Sports Information Director:
Sue Cornelius Edson
Home Phone: (315) 446-5822

Lettermen Returning (38):
17 Offense, 10 Defense, 1 Specialist
Lettermen Lost (16):
6 Offense, 9 Defense, 1 Specialist
Starters Returning (13):
8 Offense, 4 Defense, 1 Specialist
Starters Lost (11):
3 Offense, 7 Defense, 1 Specialist
Offensive System: Pro Option
Defensive System: 4-3
Captains: Rod Gadson, Donovin Darius, Keith Downing, Brad Patkochis
Offensive Starters Returning (8):
OT Brent Warren; TE Roland Williams; QB Donovan McNabb; FB Rob Konrad; OL Brad Patkochis; WR Jim Turner; C Cory Bowen; TE Kaseem Sinceno
Defensive Starters Returning (8):
NG-DT Jason Walters; CB Rod Gadson; FS Donovin Darius; LB Antwaune Ponds
Top Returning Rushers:
Donovan McNabb, 97 att., 458 yards, 4.7 avg., 3 TDs
Rob Konrad, 93 att., 361 yards, 3.9 avg., 3 TDs
Top Returning Passer:
Donovan McNabb, 118-215, .549, 1,776 yards, 19 TDs, 9 Int.
Top Returning Tacklers:
Donovin Darius, 62 solos, 41 assists, 103 total
Antwaune Ponds, 72 solos, 18 assists, 90 total
All-America Candidates:
QB Donovan McNabb, LB Antwaune Ponds, DB Donovin Darius, FB Rob Konrad
Top Newcomers:
RB Dee Brown, LB Morlon Greenwood, RB James Mungro, RB Ali Culpeper

Pitt-Syracuse Series:

Date	Pitt	Syr.
Oct. 21, 1916	30	0
Oct. 20, 1917	28	0
Oct. 18, 1919	3	24
Oct. 20, 1920	7	7
Oct. 22, 1921	35	0
Oct. 21, 1922	21	14
Oct. 20, 1923	0	3
Nov. 1, 1924	7	7
Nov. 3, 1928	18	0
Oct. 18, 1930	14	0
Sept. 24, 1955	22	12
Sept. 29, 1956	14	7
Nov. 2, 1957	21	24
Nov. 1, 1958	13	16
Oct. 31, 1959	0	35
Oct. 29, 1960	10	0
Nov. 4, 1961	9	28
Nov. 3, 1962	24	6
Nov. 2, 1963	35	27
Oct. 31, 1964	6	21
Oct. 30, 1965	13	51
Oct. 8, 1966	7	33
Nov. 4, 1967	7	14
Oct. 12, 1968	17	50
Nov. 1, 1969	21	20
Oct. 31, 1970	13	43
Oct. 30, 1971	31	21
Oct. 28, 1972	6	10
Nov. 3, 1973	28	14
Nov. 2, 1974	21	13
Nov. 1, 1975	38	0
Oct. 30, 1976	23	13
Oct. 22, 1977	28	21
Nov. 4, 1978	18	17
Nov. 3, 1979	28	21
Nov. 1, 1980	43	6
Oct. 24, 1981	23	10
Oct. 23, 1982	14	0
Oct. 29, 1983	13	10
Nov. 3, 1984	7	13
Nov. 2, 1985	0	12
Nov. 1, 1986	20	24
Oct. 31, 1987	10	24
Dec. 3, 1988	7	24
Sept. 23, 1989	30	23
Sept. 22, 1990	20	20
Oct. 19, 1991	27	31
Oct. 31, 1992	10	41
Oct. 16, 1993	21	24
Oct. 4, 1994	7	31
Nov. 11, 1995	10	42
Oct. 12, 1996	7	55

TOTALS: Pitt 25, Syracuse 24, Tied 3 — Total Points: Pitt 885, Syracuse 962

1997 Opponents

VIRGINIA TECH

November 22
Pitt Stadium
3:30 p.m., EST

Frank Beamer
Head Coach

Marcus Parker
Fullback

1997 Schedule

Aug. 30	at Rutgers
Sept. 13	SYRACUSE
Sept. 20	at Temple
Sept. 27	ARKANSAS STATE
Oct. 4	MIAMI (OH)
Oct. 11	BOSTON COLLEGE
Oct. 25	at West Virginia
Nov. 1	ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM
Nov. 8	MIAMI (FL)
Nov. 22	at Pittsburgh
Nov. 29	at Virginia

1996 Results (10-2)

at Akron	21-18	W
at Boston College	45-7	W
RUTGERS	30-14	W
at Syracuse	52-21	L
TEMPLE	38-0	W
PITTSBURGH	34-17	W
SW LOUISIANA	47-16	W
EAST CAROLINA	35-14	W
at Miami	21-7	W
WEST VIRGINIA	31-14	W
VIRGINIA	26-9	W
vs. Nebraska+	41-21	L

+Orange Bowl

Virginia Tech Facts:

Head Coach: Frank Beamer
Alma Mater (Year): Virginia Tech (1969)
Years at Present School:
10 years (61-51-2)
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
16 years (103-74-4)
Assistant Coaches:
Billy Hite, Assistant Head Coach/Running Backs
Rick Bustle, Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
Bud Foster, Def. Coordinator/Inside Linebackers
Jim Cavanaugh, Outside Linebackers/Strong Safeties
J.B. Grimes, Offensive Line
Bryan Stinespring, Tight Ends/Offensive Line
Lou West, Defensive Backs
Charley Wiles, Defensive Line
Location: Blacksburg, VA
Stadium (Capacity):
Lane Stadium/Worsham Field (51,000)
Playing Surface: Natural Grass
Press Box Phone: (540) 231-4905
Nickname: Hokies, Fighting Gobblers
Colors: Chicago Maroon, Burnt Orange
Conference: Big East
Enrollment: 24,812
Interim Athletic Director: Sharon McCloskey
AD's Phone Number: (540) 231-3977
Football Office Phone: (540) 231-6368
Best Time to Call Head Coach:
Contact SID Office
Sports Information Office
Office Phone: (540) 231-6726
Fax Phone: (540) 231-6984
Director of Media Relations/Football Contact:
Jack Williams
Home Phone: (540) 951-0963
Sports Information Director:
Dave Smith
Home Phone: (540) 951-8024

Lettermen Returning (41):
19 Offense, 19 Defense, 3 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (21):
13 Offense, 8 Defense
Starters Returning (12):
4 Offense, 5 Defense, 3 Specialists
Starters Lost (13):
7 Offense, 6 Defense
Offensive System: Multiple
Defensive System: 4-3-4
Captains:
Game captains
Offensive Starters Returning (4):
OG Gennaro DiNapoli; C Todd Washington; TB Ken Oxendine; FL Shawn Scales
Defensive Starters Returning (5):
DE John Engelberger; DT Kerwin Hairston; LB Steve Tate; CB Loren Johnson; ROV Pierson Prioleau
Top Returning Rushers:
Ken Oxendine, 150 att., 890 yards, 5.9 avg., 13 TDs
Shyrone Stith, 89 att., 474 yards, 5.3 avg., 5 TDs
Top Returning Passer:
Al Clark, 1-5, 12 yards, .200, 1 Int
Top Returning Tacklers:
Pierson Prioleau, 41 solos, 30 assists, 71 total
John Engelberger, 33 solos, 31 assists, 64 total
All-America Candidates:
OG Gennaro DiNapoli, DE John Engelberger, PK Shayne Graham
Top Newcomers:
DT Tyrone Robertson, WR Ricky Hall, TE James Lomax, DT Chad Beasley, RB Camon Jackson

Pitt-Virginia Tech Series:

Date	Pitt	VT
Sept. 11, 1993	21	63
Oct. 22, 1994	7	45
Sept. 30, 1995	16	26
Oct. 26, 1996	17	34

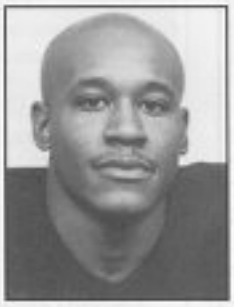
Totals: Pitt 0, Virginia Tech 4 — Points: Pitt 61, Virginia Tech 168

1997 Opponents

WEST VIRGINIA

November 28
Mountaineer Field
2:30 p.m., EST (CBS)

Don Nehlen
Head Coach



David Saunders
Defensive Back

1997 Schedule

Aug. 30	MARSHALL
Sept. 6	EAST CAROLINA
Sept. 13	at Boston College
Sept. 27	at Miami
Oct. 4	RUTGERS
Oct. 11	at Maryland
Oct. 25	VIRGINIA TECH
Nov. 1	at Syracuse
Nov. 15	TEMPLE
Nov. 22	at Notre Dame
Nov. 28	PITTSBURGH

1996 Results (8-4)

at Pittsburgh	34-0	W
WESTERN MICHIGAN	34-9	W
EAST CAROLINA	10-9	W
at Purdue	20-6	W
MARYLAND	13-0	W
BOSTON COLLEGE	34-17	W
at Temple	30-10	W
MIAMI	10-7	L
SYRACUSE	30-7	L
at Rutgers	55-14	W
at Virginia Tech	31-14	L
vs. North Carolina+	20-13	L

+ Gator Bowl

West Virginia Facts:

Head Coach: Don Nehlen
Alma Mater (Year): Bowling Green (1958)
Years at Present School:
18 years (123-72-4)
Years Coaching (Overall Record):
27 years (176-107-8)
Assistant Coaches:
Doc Holliday, Asst. Head Coach/Wide Receivers
Steve Dunlap, Def. Coordinator/Inside Linebackers
Dan Simrell, Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
Jerry Holmes, Defensive Secondary
Bill Kirelawich, Defensive Line
Bill Legg, Offensive Interior Line
Dave McMichael, Offensive Exterior Line
Tony Pierce, Running Backs
Donnie Young, Outside Linebackers/Recruiting Coordinator
Location: Morgantown, WV
Stadium (Capacity):
Mountaineer Field (63,500)
Playing Surface: Astroturf
Press Box Phone: (304) 293-3799
Nickname: Mountaineers
Colors: Old Gold and Blue
Conference: Big East
Enrollment: 21,500
Director of Athletics: Ed Pastilong
AD's Phone Number: (304) 293-5621
Football Office Phone: (304) 293-4194
Best Time To Call Head Coach: Through SID
Sports Information Office:
Office Phone: (304) 293-2821
Fax Phone: (304) 293-4105
Sports Information Director/Football Contact:
Shelly Poe
Home Phone: (304) 599-7259

Lettermen Returning (39):
19 Offense, 16 Defense, 4 Specialists
Lettermen Lost (17):
7 Offense, 9 Defense, 1 Specialist
Starters Returning (15):
9 Offense, 5 Defense, 1 Specialist
Starters Lost (9):
2 Offense, 6 Defense, 1 Specialist
Offensive System: Multiple I
Defensive System: Multiple Fronts
Captains: TBA
Offensive Starters Returning (9):
WR David Saunders; WR Shawn Foreman; TE Chad Wable; TB Amos Zereoue; FB Leroy White; OT Sam Austin; OT Solomon Page; OG Bryan Pukenas; C Eric deGroh
Defensive Starters Returning (5):
DE Bob Baum; DT Henry Slay; NG John Thornton; MLB Jason Williams; CB Perlo Bastien
Top Returning Rushers:
Amos Zereoue, 222 att., 1,035 yards, 4.7 avg., 9 TDs
Leroy White, 42 att., 260 yards, 6.2 avg., 1 TD
Top Returning Passer:
Marc Bulger, 19-42, 352 yards, .452, 3 TDs, 1 Int.
Top Returning Tacklers:
Henry Slay, 58 tackles, 3 sacks, 10 TFL
John Hadley, 57 tackles, 3 sacks, 2 TFL
John Thornton, 51 tackles, 5 sacks, 5 TFL
All-America Candidates:
WR David Saunders, TB Amos Zereoue, DT Henry Slay, DT John Thornton
Top Newcomers:
OT Brock Holland, LB Damon Cogdell

Pitt-West Virginia Series:

Date	Pitt	WVU
Oct. 26, 1895	0	8
Oct. 27, 1898	0	6
Oct. 6, 1900	5	6
Oct. 5, 1901	12	0
Oct. 22, 1902	6	23
Oct. 3, 1903	6	24
Nov. 8, 1904	53	0
Nov. 10, 1906	17	0
Nov. 9, 1907	10	0
Nov. 7, 1908	11	0
Nov. 6, 1909	0	0
Nov. 5, 1910	38	0
Oct. 11, 1913	40	0
Sept. 29, 1917	14	9
Oct. 11, 1919	26	0
Oct. 9, 1920	34	13
Oct. 8, 1921	21	14
Oct. 14, 1922	6	9
Oct. 13, 1923	7	13
Oct. 11, 1924	14	7
Oct. 10, 1925	15	7
Nov. 6, 1926	40	0
Oct. 8, 1927	40	0
Oct. 13, 1928	6	9
Oct. 12, 1929	27	7
Oct. 4, 1930	16	0
Oct. 10, 1931	34	0
Oct. 1, 1932	40	0
Oct. 7, 1933	21	0
Oct. 6, 1934	27	6
Oct. 12, 1935	24	6
Oct. 3, 1936	34	0
Oct. 2, 1937	20	0
Sept. 24, 1938	19	0
Oct. 7, 1939	20	0
Oct. 9, 1943	20	0
Sept. 23, 1944	26	13
Sept. 29, 1945	20	0
Sept. 28, 1946	33	7
Nov. 29, 1947	2	17
Oct. 9, 1948	16	6
Oct. 8, 1949	20	7
Nov. 4, 1950	21	7
Nov. 17, 1951	32	12
Oct. 25, 1952	0	16
Sept. 26, 1953	7	17
Oct. 30, 1954	13	10
Nov. 12, 1955	26	7
Sept. 22, 1956	14	13
Nov. 9, 1957	6	7
Oct. 18, 1958	15	8
Oct. 17, 1959	15	23
Oct. 15, 1960	42	0
Oct. 14, 1961	6	20
Oct. 13, 1962	8	15
Oct. 19, 1963	13	10
Oct. 10, 1964	14	0
Oct. 2, 1965	48	63
Oct. 8, 1966	17	14
Oct. 7, 1967	0	15
Sept. 28, 1968	15	38
Oct. 25, 1969	18	49
Oct. 17, 1970	36	35
Oct. 2, 1971	9	20
Nov. 4, 1972	20	38
Oct. 13, 1973	35	7
Oct. 12, 1974	31	14
Nov. 8, 1975	14	17
Nov. 13, 1976	24	16
Nov. 5, 1977	44	3
Nov. 11, 1978	52	7
Nov. 10, 1979	24	17
Oct. 18, 1980	42	14
Oct. 10, 1981	17	0
Oct. 2, 1982	16	13
Oct. 1, 1983	21	24
Sept. 29, 1984	10	28
Sept. 28, 1985	10	10
Sept. 27, 1986	48	16
Sept. 26, 1987	6	3
Sept. 24, 1988	10	31
Sept. 30, 1989	31	31
Sept. 29, 1990	24	38
Aug. 31, 1991	34	3
Sept. 12, 1992	6	44
Oct. 23, 1993	21	42
Oct. 15, 1994	41	47
Nov. 24, 1995	0	21
Aug. 31, 1996	0	34

TOTALS: Pitt 55, WVU 31, Tied 3 — Total Points: Pitt 1,796, WVU 1,134

Pittsburgh vs. All Opponents

	W	L	T
Air Force	0	2	0
Akron (Buchtel)	1	0	0
Allegheny	8	2	0
Allegheny A.A.	1	2	0
Allegheny A.C.	1	0	0
Arizona State	0	1	0
Arizona	1	0	0
Army	19	6	2
Baylor	2	2	0
Bellevue Outing	0	1	0
Bethany	8	0	0
Boston College	12	9	0
Brigham Young	1	1	0
Bucknell	7	2	0
Butler Y.	1	0	0
California	3	2	0
California N.	2	0	0
California Teachers	3	0	0
Camp Lee All-Stars	1	0	0
Carlisle	4	4	0
Carnegie A.C.	0	1	0
Carnegie Tech.	24	5	1
Centre	1	0	0
Chatham Field	1	0	0
Cincinnati	4	0	0
Clemson	1	0	0
Cleveland Naval Res.	0	1	0
Colgate	1	0	0
Cornell	2	4	0
D.C. & A.C.	0	3	0
Dickinson	2	0	0
Drake	1	0	0
Duke	9	8	0
Duquesne	5	2	0
Duquesne A.C.	1	0	0
East Carolina	2	2	0
East End A.A.	0	1	0
East End Gym	0	2	0
Eastern Michigan	1	0	0
Emerald A.A.	1	0	0
Florida	0	0	1
Florida State	5	3	0
Fordham	2	2	3
Franklin & Marshall	1	0	0
Geneva	12	6	0
Georgetown	2	0	1
Georgia	3	0	1
Georgia Tech	5	2	0
Gettysburg	2	0	0
Great Lakes	0	2	0
Greensburg A.A.	1	2	0
Grove City	8	2	1
Hawaii	0	1	0
Hiram	1	0	0
Holy Cross	1	0	0
Houston	0	1	0
Illinois	2	6	0
Indiana	2	7	0
Indiana Teachers	1	2	1
Iowa	2	1	0
J.F. Lalus A.C.	0	1	0
Johns Hopkins	2	0	0
Kansas	3	0	0
Kent State	4	0	0
Kiski	1	0	0
Lafayette	3	5	0
Latrobe	0	2	0
Lehigh	2	0	0
Louisville	4	4	0
Manchester A.C.	0	1	0
Marietta	3	1	0
Marquette	3	0	0
Maryland	3	3	0
Miami (Fla.)	8	15	1
Miami (Ohio)	2	0	0
Michigan	0	2	0
Michigan State	0	4	1
Minnesota	3	9	0
Missouri	1	0	0
Mt. Union	5	0	0
Muskingum	1	0	0
Natrona A.C.	1	0	0
Navy	20	12	3
Nebraska	15	4	3
New Castle Terrors	0	0	1
North Carolina	2	2	0
N. Carolina State	4	2	1
Northern Iowa	1	0	0
Northwestern	3	3	0
Notre Dame	16	39	1
Ohio Med. U.	2	0	0
Ohio Northern	7	0	0
Ohio State	5	19	1
Ohio U.	3	0	0
Ohio Wesleyan	2	0	0
Oklahoma	1	9	1
Oregon	2	2	0
Pacific	1	0	0
Pennsylvania	10	1	1
Penn State	41	47	4
Pittsburgh A.C.	0	3	0
Pittsburgh Academy	1	0	0
Pittsburgh H.S.	1	0	0
Purdue	3	4	0
Rice	0	2	0
Rutgers	12	2	0
Sewickley A.A.	1	0	0
Sewickley A.C.	1	0	0
Shady Side Academy	0	1	0
Southern Methodist	2	2	1
South Carolina	3	1	0
Southern Mississippi	2	0	0
Stanford	2	1	0
St. Louis	1	0	0
Susquehanna	1	0	0
Swissvale A.C.	1	0	0
Syracuse	25	24	3
Temple	20	6	1
Tennessee	2	0	0
Texas	0	3	0
Texas A&M	1	0	0
Texas Christian	0	1	1
Thiel	4	0	0
Tulane	3	4	0
UCLA	5	9	0
USC	4	6	0
Villanova	1	0	0
Virginia	2	0	0
Virginia Tech	0	4	0
Washington	4	1	0
Washington & Jefferson	18	13	2
Washington & Lee	1	0	0
Washington State	1	0	0
Waynesburg	5	1	0
W. Penn. Med	1	0	0
Western Reserve	3	0	0
W. Theological Seminary	1	0	0
Westminster	15	0	2
West Virginia	55	31	3
Wheeling Tigers	0	2	0
William and Mary	5	0	0
Wisconsin	3	0	0
Wooster	1	0	0
TOTAL	**576**	**408**	**42**

All-Time Victories

(as of July, 1997)

Rank	Division 1-A School	Years Played	Victories
1	Michigan	117	764
2	Notre Dame	108	746
3	Alabama	102	713
4	Texas	104	713
5	Nebraska	107	709
6	Penn State	110	706
7	Ohio State	107	690
8	Oklahoma	102	673
9	Tennessee	100	666
10	Southern Cal	104	653
11	Syracuse	107	608
12	Army	107	607
13	Georgia	103	606
14	Louisiana State	103	594
15	Colorado	107	588
16	Washington	107	585
17	Auburn	104	583
18	West Virginia	104	577
19	**Pittsburgh**	**107**	**576**
20	Texas A&M	102	574

1997-98 Bowl Games

THE BOWL ALLIANCE

In 1997, the champions of The BIG EAST, Atlantic Coast, Big 12 and Southeastern Conference will appear in one of the three alliance bowl games following the regular-season. The remaining two at-large positions may be filled by any Division I-A team eligible for postseason competition, excluding the Pac-10 and Big Ten champions, that meets any one of the following criteria:

1. The team has won at least eight college football games during the regular season, not to include wins in either the Pigskin and/or Kick-off Classic.
2. The team is ranked among the Top 12 bowl-eligible teams in either the Associated Press or CNN/USA Today Final regular season polls.
3. The team is ranked no lower in either the AP or CNN/USA Today poll than the lowest-ranked team selected by a Bowl from among the conference champions.

Team selection shall occur no later than Sunday, December 7, 1997. The selection order shall be as follows:

- Selections 1 and 2: FedEx Orange Bowl
- Selections 3 and 5: Nokia Sugar Bowl
- Selections 4 and 6: Tostitos Fiesta Bowl

The FedEx Orange Bowl shall select any team ranked No. 1 in the AP Poll and any team ranked first in the CNN/USA Today Poll if the teams so ranked are different and the squads are both available. In any other case, the Orange Bowl shall select any team ranked No. 1 in one poll and then select the No. 2 team in the other respective poll granted both teams are available.

All other team selections shall come from the pool of teams specified above and will be at the discretion of the participating bowls.

In 1998, the third "version" of the Alliance will take effect, bringing into the equation the Big Ten and Pac-10 conferences and the Rose Bowl for the first time. If any team from either league is ranked No. 1 or No. 2, that team will be eligible to compete in the bowl that is hosting the national championship game that season.

CompUSA Florida Citrus Bowl
Kickoff: 1 p.m.
Thursday, January 1, 1998
Florida Citrus Bowl
Orlando, FL
TV: ABC
Opponents: Big 10 #2 vs. SEC #2
1 Citrus Bowl Place
Orlando, FL 32805
(407) 423-2476
Last Year: Tennessee 48 N. Western 28

FedEx Orange Bowl
Kickoff: 8 p.m.
Friday, January 2, 1998
ProPlayer Stadium
Miami, FL
TV: CBS
Bowl Alliance: Selection #1 vs. Selection #2
601 Brickell Key Drive Suite 206
Miami, FL 33131
(305) 371-4600
Last Year: Nebraska 41 Virginia Tech 21

Las Vegas Bowl
Kickoff: 9 p.m.
Thursday, December 19, 1996
Sam Boyd Stadium
Las Vegas, NV
TV: ESPN
Las Vegas Convention & Visitors Auth.
3150 Paradise Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109
(702) 892-2874
Last Year: Toledo 40 Nevada 37 (OT)

Outback Bowl
Kickoff: 11 a.m.
Thursday, January 1, 1998
Houlihan's Stadium
Tampa, FL
TV: ESPN
Opponents: SEC #3 vs. Big Ten #3
4511 N. Himes Ave., Suite 260
Tampa, FL 33614
(813) 874-2695
Last Year: Alabama 17 Michigan 14

Tostitos Fiesta Bowl
Kickoff: 8 p.m.
Wednesday, January 1, 1997
Sun Devil Stadium
Tempe, AZ
TV: CBS
Bowl Alliance: Selection #4 and #6
120 S. Ash Ave.
Tempe, AZ 85281
(602) 350-0900
Last Year: Nebraska 62 Florida 24

Jeep-Eagle Aloha Bowl Football Classic
Kickoff: 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 25, 1996
Aloha Stadium
Honolulu, HI
TV: ABC
1110 University Avenue, Suite 403
Honolulu, HI 96826
(808) 947-4141
Last Year: Kansas 51 UCLA 30

Norwest Sun Bowl
Kickoff: 2:15 p.m.
Wednesday, December 31, 1998
Sun Bowl
El Paso, TX
TV: CBS
Opponents: PAC 10 #3 vs. Big 10 #5
4100 Rio Bravo, Suite 303
El Paso, TX 79902
(915) 533-4116
Last Year: Standford 38 Michigan St. 0

SouthWestern Bell Cotton Bowl Classic
Kickoff: 1:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 1, 1998
Cotton Bowl
Dallas, TX
TV: CBS
Opponents: Big 12 #2 vs. Pac 10 #2 or WAC #1
P.O. Box 569420
Dallas, TX 75356-9420
(214) 634-7525
Last Year: BYU 19 Kansas State 15

Toyota Gator Bowl
Kickoff: 12:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 1, 1997
Gator Bowl
Jacksonville, FL
TV: NBC
Opponents: Big East #2 vs. ACC #2
4080 Woodcock Drive Suite 130
Jacksonville, FL 32207
(904) 396-1800
Last Year: Syracuse 41 Clemson 0

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Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl
Kickoff: 3 p.m.
Friday, January 2, 1998
Georgia Dome
Atlanta, GA
TV: ESPN
Opponents: ACC #3 vs. SEC #4
P.O. Box 1336
Atlanta, GA 30301
(404) 586-8500
Last Year: LSU 19 Clemson 7

Poulan Weed Eater Independence Bowl
Kickoff: 7 p.m.
Sunday, December 28, 1997
Independence Stadium
Shreveport, LA
TV: ESPN
Opponents: SEC #5 vs. At-large Bid
P.O. Box 1723
Shreveport, LA 71166
(318) 221-0712
Last Year: Auburn 32 Army 29

Rose Bowl
Kickoff: 5 p.m.
Wednesday, January 1, 1997
Rose Bowl
Pasadena, CA
TV: ABC
Opponents: Big 10 Champion vs. Pac 10 Champion
391 S. Orange Grove Blvd.
Pasadena, CA 91184
(818) 449-4100
Last Year: USC 41 Northwestern 32

St. Jude Liberty Bowl
Kickoff: 2:30 p.m.
Wednesday, December 31, 1997
Liberty Bowl
Memphis, TN
TV: ESPN
Opponents: Conf. USA #1 vs. Big East #4
3767 New Getwell Road
Memphis, TN 38118
(901) 795-2700
Last Year: Syracuse 30 Houston 17

Carquest Bowl
(Sunshine Football Classic)
Kickoff: TBA
Monday, December 29, 1997
ProPlayer Stadium
Miami, FL
TV: TBS
Opponents: Big East #3 vs. ACC #4
P.O. Box 14273
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304
(305) 564-8000
Last Year: Miami 31 Virginia 21

Thrifty Holiday Bowl
Kickoff: 8 p.m.
Monday, December 30, 1996
Jack Murphy Stadium
San Diego, CA
TV: ESPN
Opponents: WAC #1 or Pac 10 #2 vs. Big 12 #4
P.O. Box 601400
San Diego, CA 92160
(619) 283-5808
Last Year: Colorado 33 Washington 21

Nokia Sugar Bowl
Kickoff: 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, January 1, 1998
Superdome
New Orleans, LA
TV: ABC
Bowl Alliance: Selection 3 vs. Selection 5
1500 Sugar Bowl Drive
New Orleans, LA 70112
(504) 525-8573
Last Year: Florida 52 Florida State 20

Copper Bowl
Kickoff: 9 p.m.
Saturday, December 27, 1998
Arizona Stadium
Tucson, AZ
TV: ESPN
Opponents: Big 12 #6 vs. WAC #2
440 S. Williams Blvd.
Spring Bldg. Suite 100
Tucson, AZ 85710
(602) 790-5510
Last Year: Wisconsin 30 Utah 13

Builders Square Alamo Bowl
Kickoff: 7 p.m.
Tuesday, December 30, 1997
Alamodome
San Antonio, TX
TV: ESPN
Opponents: Big 10 #4 vs. Big 12 #4
100 Montana St.
San Antonio, TX 78203
(210) 226-2695
Last Year: Iowa 27 Texas Tech 0

Ford Motor City Bowl
Kickoff: 8:00 p.m.
Friday, December 26, 1997
Pontiac Silverdome
Pontiac, MI
TV: ESPN
Opponents: MAC #1 vs. At-large
1200 Featherstone Road
Pontiac, MI 48342
(810) 456-1694
First Year

*All times are local times at game sites

The Big East Conference and the Bowl Alliance

The BIG EAST Football Conference is a partner in the unique "Bowl Alliance," an agreement designed to produce the best possible bowl matchups and enhance the opportunities for a national championship.

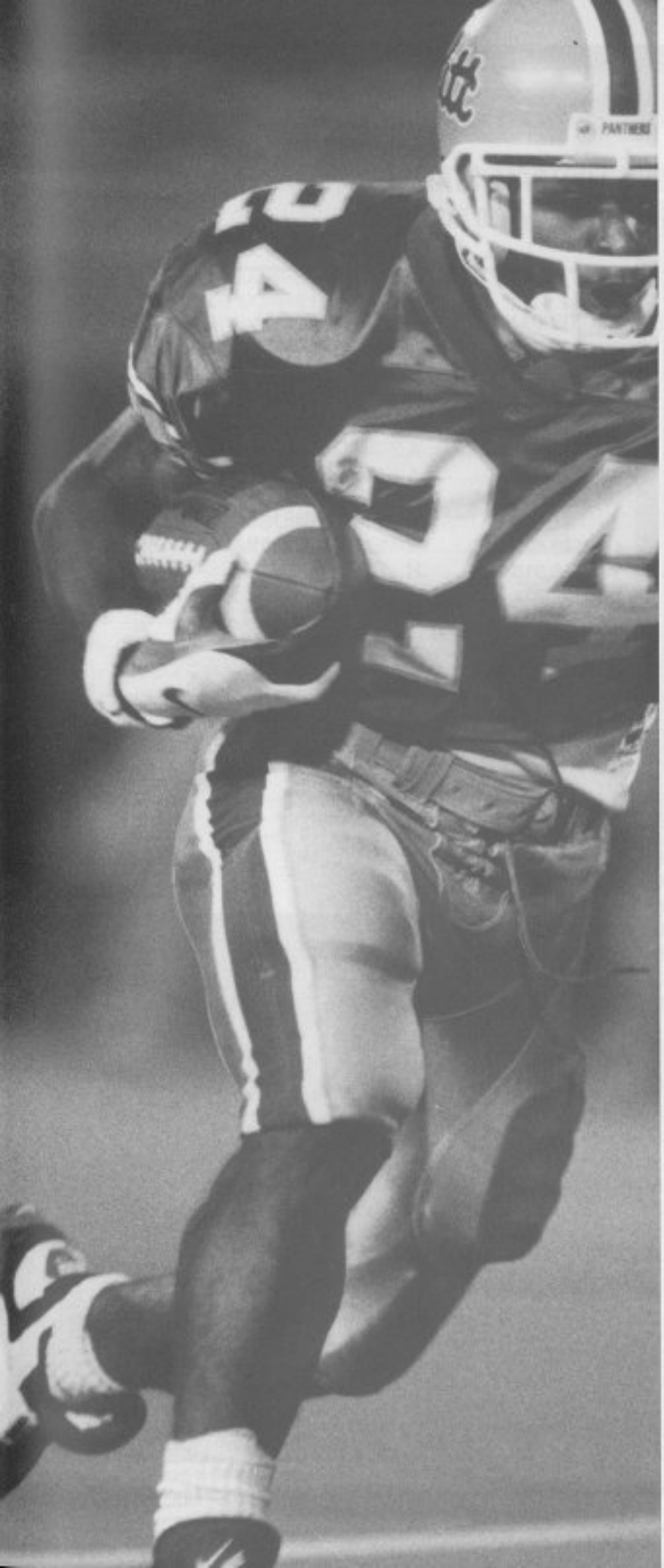
The Tostitos Fiesta, FedEx Orange and Nokia Sugar Bowls have joined with The BIG EAST, Atlantic Coast, Big 12, Big Ten, Pacific-10 and Southeastern Conferences and the University of Notre Dame to form the Alliance.

In addition to the bowl alliance, The BIG EAST Football Conference also sends three of its other seven teams to postseason bowl games. The league will continue associations with the Toyota Gator Bowl, Carquest Bowl and St. Jude Liberty Bowl for the 1997 season.

- The Toyota Gator Bowl, played in Jacksonville, Fla., will select the second team out of the BIG EAST after the alliance accepts the conference champion. The BIG EAST choice will be matched up against the second selection from the Atlantic Coast Conference.
- The Carquest Bowl will choose a team from The BIG EAST for the fifth straight season. Scheduled for ProPlayer Park in Miami, Fla., the contest will be played before a national television audience on TBS. The matchup will face the BIG EAST choice against the fourth selection from the ACC. Miami defeated Virginia, 31-21, in last season's Carquest Bowl.
- Entering the second year of a multi-year agreement is The BIG EAST and the St. Jude Liberty Bowl. The Memphis-based postseason game will pit the fourth selection from The BIG EAST versus the champion of Conference USA. Syracuse defeated Conference USA champion Houston, 30-17, last season. This year's game will once again be shown on ESPN.

1997 Opponents Week-By-Week

	SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA	PENN STATE	HOUSTON	MIAMI	TEMPLE	NOTRE DAME	RUTGERS	BOSTON COLLEGE	SYRACUSE	VIRGINIA TECH	WEST VIRGINIA
AUG. 30	PITT at Pittsburgh	OPEN	Alabama at Tuscaloosa	Baylor at Waco	**Aug. 28** W. Michigan at Kalamazoo	OPEN	VIRGINIA TECH at Piscataway	OPEN	**Aug. 24** Wisconsin at Giants Stad. N.C. STATE at Syracuse	Rutgers at Piscataway	MARSHALL at Morgantown
SEPT. 6	OKLAHOMA STATE at Lafayette	PITT at State College	CALIFORNIA at Houston	OPEN	BOSTON COLLEGE at Philadelphia	GEORGIA TECH at South Bend	Texas at Austin	Temple at Philadelphia	Oklahoma at Norman	OPEN	EAST CAROLINA at Morgantown
SEPT. 13	Texas Tech at Lubbock	Temple at State College	PITT at Houston	Arizona State at Tempe	Penn State at State College	Purdue at West Lafayette	Navy at Annapolis	WEST VIRGINIA at Chestnut Hill	Virginia Tech at Blacksburg	SYRACUSE at Blacksburg	Boston College at Chestnut Hill
SEPT. 20	Texas A&M at Kingsville	Louisville at Louisville	OPEN	**Sept. 18** PITT at Pittsburgh	VIRGINIA TECH at Philadelphia	MICHIGAN STATE at South Bend	BOSTON COLLEGE at Piscataway	Rutgers at Piscataway	TULANE at Syracuse	Temple at Philadelphia	OPEN
SEPT. 27	ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM at Lafayette	OPEN	Minnesota at Minneapolis	WEST VIRGINIA at Miami	MARYLAND at Philadelphia	Michigan at Ann Arbor	OPEN	CINCINNATI at Chestnut Hill	OPEN	ARKANSAS STATE at Blacksburg	Miami (FL) at Miami
OCT. 4	Arkansas St. at State University	Illinois at Champaign	UCLA at Los Angeles	Florida State at Tallahassee	PITT at Philadelphia	Stanford at Stanford	West Virginia at Morgantown	GEORGIA TECH at Chestnut Hill	EAST CAROLINA at Syracuse	MIAMI (OH) at Blacksburg	RUTGERS at Morgantown
OCT. 11	NORTH ALABAMA at Lafayette	OHIO STATE at State College	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	PITT at Pittsburgh	**Oct. 9** SYRACUSE at Piscataway	Virginia Tech at Blacksburg	**Oct. 9** Rutgers at Piscataway	BOSTON COLLEGE at Blacksburg	Maryland at College Park
OCT. 18	OPEN	MINNESOTA at State College	CINCINNATI at Houston	Boston College at Chestnut Hill	Syracuse at Syracuse	USC at Los Angeles	Army at West Point	MIAMI (FL) at Chestnut Hill	TEMPLE at Syracuse	OPEN	OPEN
OCT. 25	NE LOUISIANA at Lafayette	OPEN	Louisville at Louisville	TEMPLE at Miami	Miami (FL) at Miami	BOSTON COLLEGE at Chestnut Hill	PITT at Piscataway	Notre Dame at South Bend	OPEN	West Virginia at Morgantown	VIRGINIA TECH at Morgantown
NOV. 1	TULANE at Lafayette	Northwestern at Evanston	Memphis at Memphis	ARKANSAS STATE at Miami	RUTGERS at Philadelphia	NAVY at South Bend	Temple at Philadelphia	PITT at Chestnut Hill	WEST VIRGINIA at Syracuse	ALABAMA-BIRMINGHAM at Blacksburg	Syracuse at Syracuse
NOV. 8	Washington State at Pullman	MICHIGAN at State College	EAST CAROLINA at Houston	Virginia Tech at Blacksburg	Navy at Annapolis	OPEN	WAKE FOREST at Piscataway	Syracuse at Syracuse	BOSTON COLLEGE at Syracuse	MIAMI (FL) at Blacksburg	OPEN
NOV. 15	LOUISIANA TECH at Lafayette	Purdue at West Lafayette	Southern Mississippi at Hattiesburg	RUTGERS at Miami	West Virginia at Morgantown	LSU at Baton Rouge	Miami (FL) at Miami	OPEN	PITT at Pittsburgh	OPEN	TEMPLE at Morgantown
NOV. 22	OPEN	WISCONSIN at S. College **Nov. 29** Michigan St. at E. Lansing	TULANE at Houston	**Nov. 29** SYRACUSE at Miami	OPEN	W. VIRGINIA at S. Bend **Nov. 29** Hawaii at Hawaii	OPEN	ARMY at Chestnut Hill	**Nov. 29** Miami (FL) at Miami	**PITT at Pittsburgh** **Nov. 29** Virginia at Virginia	Notre Dame at S. Bend **Nov. 28** PITT at Pittsburgh



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(4-7 OVERALL, 3-4 BIG EAST)

Game-By-Game Results

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE		ATTENDANCE	SITE		RECORD
8/31	*WEST VIRGINIA	34-0	L	54,612	H	PITT STADIUM	0- 1
9/7	KENT STATE	52-14	W	24,374	H	PITT STADIUM	1- 1
9/14	HOUSTON	42-35	LOT	27,648	H	PITT STADIUM	1- 2
9/21	at Ohio State	72-0	L	93,968+	A	OHIO STADIUM	1- 3
9/28	*at Miami (Fla.)	45-0	L	32,747	A	ORANGE BOWL	1- 4
10/5	*TEMPLE	53-52	W	30,054	H	PITT STADIUM	2- 4
10/12	*at Syracuse	55-7	L	41,103	A	CARRIER DOME	2- 5
10/26	*at Virginia Tech	34-17	L	43,625	A	LANE STADIUM	2- 6
10/31	*BOSTON COLLEGE	20-13	W	26,313	H	PITT STADIUM	3- 6
11/16	at Notre Dame	60-6	L	59,075+	A	NOTRE DAME STADIUM	3- 7
11/30	*RUTGERS	24-9	W	21,772	H	PITT STADIUM	4- 7

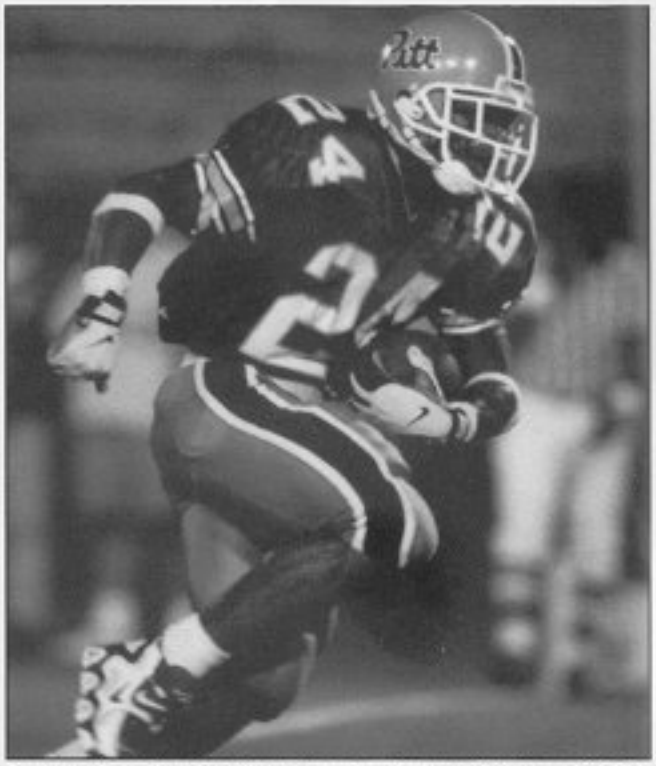
*Big East Games
+Sellouts

RECORD	W	L	PCT.
ALL GAMES	4	7	.364
BIG EAST	3	4	.429
HOME	4	2	.667
AWAY	0	5	.000
NEUTRAL	0	0	.000
DAY	2	5	.286
NIGHT	2	2	.500
AHEAD AT HALF	3	0	1.000
BEHIND AT HALF	1	6	.143
TIED AT HALF	0	1	.000

ATTENDANCE	DATES	SO	TOTAL	AVG.
HOME	6	0	184,773	30,795
AWAY	5	2	270,518	54,104
NEUTRAL	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	11	2	455,291	41,390

SCORE BY QUARTERS:	1	2	3	4	TOT
PITTSBURGH	41	73	46	54	214
AVERAGE	*3.7*	*6.6*	*4.2*	*4.9*	*19.5*
OPPONENTS	76	163	111	73	430
AVERAGE	*6.9*	*14.8*	*10.1*	*6.6*	*39.1*

POSSESSION TIME BY QUARTERS:	1	2	3	4	TOT
PITTSBURGH	79:09	82:12	71:11	76:21	308:53
AVERAGE	7:12	7:28	6:28	6:56	28:05
OPPONENTS	85:51	82:48	93:49	88:39	351:07
AVERAGE	7:48	7:32	8:32	8:04	31:55



Dwayne Schulters had the longest run from scrimmage in 1996, a 67-yard touchdown run against Temple.

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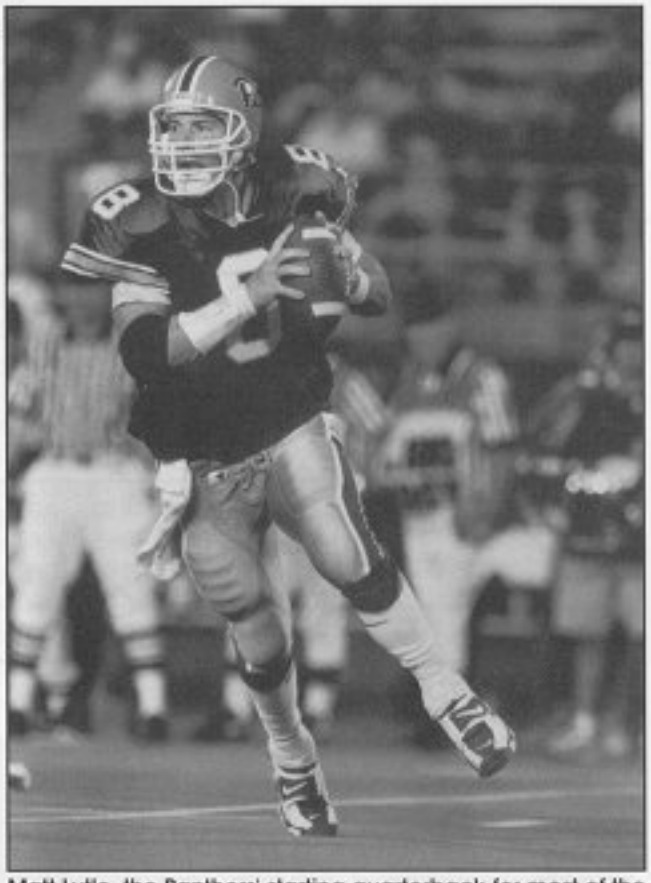
Team Statistics

PITTSBURGH		OPPONENTS
166	FIRST DOWNS	254
82	FIRST DOWNS RUSHING	142
73	FIRST DOWNS PASSING	102
11	FIRST DOWNS BY PENALTY	10
726	TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS	819
3131	**TOTAL YARDAGE**	**5033**
284.6	**TOTAL YARDAGE PER GAME**	**457.5**
4.31	AVERAGE YARDS PER PLAY	6.15
432	PLAYS RUSHING	509
1530	YARDS RUSHING	2575
139.1	YARDS RUSHING PER GAME	234.1
1601	YARDS PASSING	2458
145.5	YARDS PASSING PER GAME	223.5
294	PASSES ATTEMPTED	310
136	PASSES COMPLETED	181
10	PASSES HAD INTERCEPTED	7
25-14	FUMBLES - FUMBLES LOST	27-8
57-471	PENALTIES - YARDS	70-611
52-159	3RD DOWN CONVERSIONS	69-155
.327	3RD DOWN CONVERSION PERCENTAGE	.445
6-18	4TH DOWN CONVERSIONS	10-25
.333	4TH DOWN CONVERSION PERCENTAGE	.400



Matt Lytle, the Panthers' starting quarterback for most of the season, led Pittsburgh in total offense in 1996 (1,267 total yards).

Individual Statistics

RUSHING	GP-GS	ATT.	GAIN	LOSS	NET	YDS. /GM	YDS. /CAR	TD	LG
BILLY WEST	11-8	145	719	32	687	62.5	4.3	3	31
DWAYNE SCHULTERS	9-5	117	603	48	555	61.7	4.7	10	67t
LAFANN WILLIAMS	5-0	19	101	1	100	20.0	5.3	0	21
HANK POTEAT	8-0	20	88	0	88	11.0	4.4	0	10
MYKE DUCK	4-0	23	87	0	87	21.7	3.8	1	14
CHRIS SCHNEIDER	8-6	25	89	6	83	10.4	3.3	2	16
MATT LYTLE	10-9	51	173	155	18	1.8	0.4	1	20
MARK BUTLER	11-11	1	4	0	4	0.4	4.0	0	4
KARIM THOMPSON	8-0	3	5	1	4	0.5	1.3	0	5
D.J. DINKINS	7-0	3	2	0	2	0.3	0.7	0	2
CHRIS BEASLEY	9-2	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0
PETE GONZALEZ	11-2	15	58	63	-5	-0.5	—	0	33
LEON MURRAY	7-0	1	0	10	-10	-1.4	—	0	-10
TONY ZIMMERMAN	6-0	6	0	36	-36	-6.0	—	0	-4
TEAM	4-0	2	0	47	-47	-11.7	—	0	-23
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**432**	**1929**	**399**	**1530**	**139.1**	**3.5**	**17**	**67t**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**509**	**2793**	**218**	**2575**	**234.1**	**5.1**	**28**	**96t**

TOTAL OFFENSE	GP-GS	RUSH	PASS	TOT.	YDS./GM
MATT LYTLE	10-9	18	1249	1267	126.70
BILLY WEST	11-8	687	0	687	62.45
DWAYNE SCHULTERS	9-5	555	0	555	61.67
PETE GONZALEZ	11-2	-5	344	339	30.82
LAFANN WILLIAMS	5-0	100	0	100	20.00
HANK POTEAT	8-0	88	0	88	11.00
MYKE DUCK	4-0	87	0	87	21.75
CHRIS SCHNEIDER	8-6	83	0	83	10.38
KARIM THOMPSON	8-0	4	0	4	0.50
MARK BUTLER	11-11	4	0	4	0.36
D.J. DINKINS	7-0	2	0	2	0.29
LEON MURRAY	7-0	-10	0	-10	-1.43
TONY ZIMMERMAN	6-0	-36	8	-28	-4.67
TEAM	4-0	-47	0	-47	-11.75
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**1530**	**1601**	**3131**	**284.64**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**2575**	**2458**	**5033**	**457.55**

1996 Final Statistics

Individual Statistics

PASSING	GP-GS	CMP.	ATT.	INT.	PCT.	YDS.	YDS. /GM	S	TD	LP
MATT LYTLE	10-9	105	214	6	.491	1249	124.9	19	8	50
PETE GONZALEZ	11-2	30	65	3	.462	344	31.3	4	3	46t
TONY ZIMMERMAN	6-0	1	10	1	.100	8	1.3	2	0	8
CHRIS SCHNEIDER	8-6	0	2	0	.000	0	0.0	0	0	0
NATE COCHRAN	11-0	0	1	0	.000	0	0.0	0	0	0
D.J. DINKINS	7-0	0	2	0	.000	0	0.0	0	0	0
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**136**	**294**	**10**	**.463**	**1601**	**145.5**	**25**	**11**	**50**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**181**	**310**	**7**	**.584**	**2458**	**223.5**	**11**	**21**	**87t**

PASSING EFFICIENCY	GP-GS	YDS./ ATT.	TD PCT.	CMP. PCT.	INT. PCT.	RATING PTS.
MATT LYTLE	10-9	5.84	3.74	49.07	2.80	104.9
PETE GONZALEZ	11-2	5.29	4.62	46.15	4.62	96.6
CHRIS SCHNEIDER	8-6	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
NATE COCHRAN	11-0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
D.J. DINKINS	7-0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**5.45**	**3.74**	**46.26**	**3.40**	**97.6**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**7.93**	**6.77**	**58.39**	**2.26**	**142.8**

PASS RECEIVING	GP-GS	CGT	/GM	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LP
JAKE HOFFART	11-9	39	2.5	667	17.1	5	48t
MARK BUTLER	11-11	28	2.5	285	10.2	3	24
JOHNJONES	11-7	21	1.9	263	12.5	1	24
CHRIS SCHNEIDER	8-6	10	1.3	47	4.7	0	13
KIRK MCMULLEN	11-4	9	0.8	158	17.6	0	50
CURTIS ANDERSON	10-10	5	0.5	55	11.0	2	17
LEON MURRAY	7-0	5	0.7	38	7.6	0	21
DWAYNE SCHULTERS	9-5	4	0.4	21	5.3	0	10
D.J. DINKINS	7-0	4	0.6	14	3.5	0	5
VITAL JOSEPH	8-0	3	0.4	25	8.3	0	10
LAFANN WILLIAMS	5-0	2	0.4	15	7.5	0	9
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**136**	**12.4**	**1601**	**11.8**	**11**	**50**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**181**	**16.5**	**2458**	**13.6**	**21**	**87t**

ALL PURPOSE YARDS	GP-GS	RUSH	REC.	PUNT RET.	KO RET.	TOT YDS.	YDS. /GM
DWAYNE SCHULTERS	9-5	555	21	0	268	844	93.78
CURTIS ANDERSON	10-10	0	55	-8	762	809	80.90
BILLY WEST	11-8	667	-10	0	0	677	61.55
JAKE HOFFART	11-9	0	667	0	0	667	60.64
HANK POTEAT	8-0	88	6	18	445	557	69.63
MARK BUTLER	11-11	4	285	0	0	289	26.27
JOHN JONES	11-7	0	263	0	0	263	23.91
JOHN JENKINS	11-11	0	0	196	0	196	17.82
KIRK MCMULLEN	11-4	0	158	0	0	158	14.36
CHRIS SCHNEIDER	8-6	83	47	0	23	153	19.13
LAFANN WILLIAMS	5-0	100	15	0	16	131	26.20
MYKE DUCK	4-0	87	0	0	0	87	21.75
LEON MURRAY	7-0	-10	38	0	0	28	4.00
VITAL JOSEPH	8-0	0	25	0	0	25	3.13
MATT LYTLE	10-9	18	0	0	0	18	1.80
RASSHAD WHITMILL	10-6	0	0	0	18	18	1.80
D.J. DINKINS	7-0	2	13	0	0	16	2.29
ERIC KASPEROWICZ	4-0	0	0	15	0	15	3.75
JUAN WILLIAMS	1-1	0	12	0	0	12	12.00
TIM ROBBINS	1-0	0	5	0	0	5	5.00
KARIM THOMPSON	8-0	4	0	0	0	4	0.50
PETE GONZALEZ	11-2	-5	0	0	0	-5	-0.45
TONY ZIMMERMAN	6-0	-36	0	0	0	-36	-6.00
TEAM	4-0	-47	0	0	0	-47	-11.75
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**1530**	**1601**	**221**	**1588**	**4940**	**449.1**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**2575**	**2458**	**695**	**73**	**6491**	**590.1**

Jake Hoffart led Pittsburgh in receiving with 39 catches for 667 yards and five touchdowns, including a 48-yard touchdown reception against Rutgers.

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Individual Statistics

FIELD GOALS	GP-GS	0-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOT	LP
CHRIS FERENICK	8-0	0-1	2-3	3-3	0-2	5-9	49
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**0-1**	**2-3**	**3-3**	**0-2**	**5-9**	**49**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**6-6**	**1-4**	**2-4**	**1-1**	**10-15**	**50**

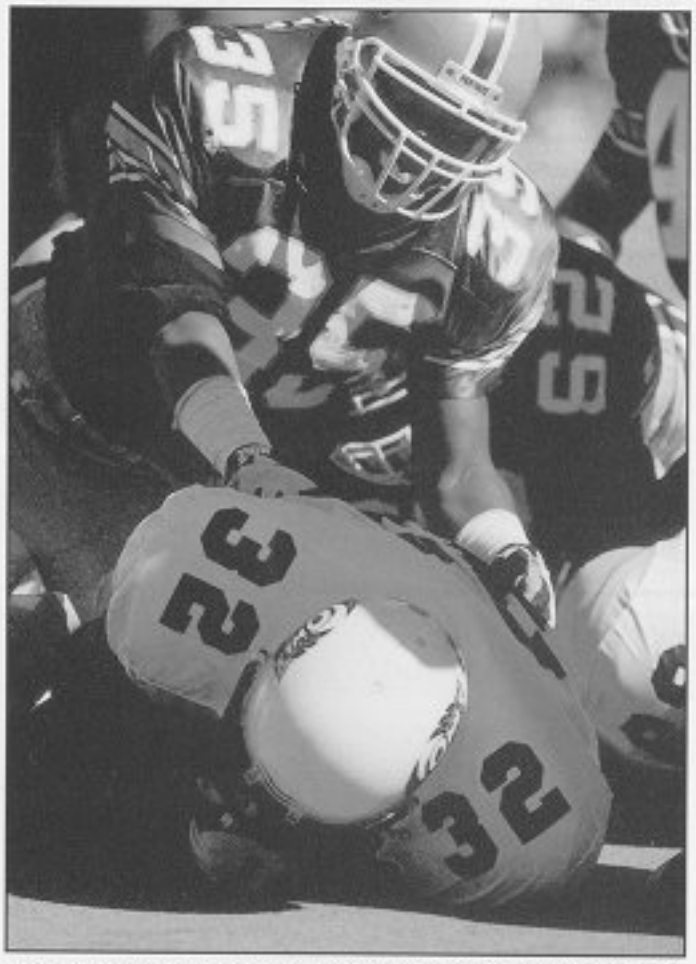
PUNTING	GP-GS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	BLKD.	LP
NATE COCHRAN	11-0	70	3075	43.9	1	80
TEAM	4-0	3	0	0.0	2	0
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**73**	**3075**	**42.1**	**3**	**80**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**43**	**1701**	**39.6**	**0**	**63**

KICKOFF RETURNS	GP-GS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LP
HANK POTEAT	8-0	17	445	26.2	0	46
CURTIS ANDERSON	10-10	30	762	25.4	1	91t
DWAYNE SCHULTERS	9-5	11	268	24.4	0	43
CHRIS BEASLEY	9-2	3	56	18.7	0	23
RASSHAD WHITMILL	10-6	1	18	18.0	0	8
LAFANN WILLIAMS	5-0	1	16	16.0	0	16
CHRIS SCHNEIDER	8-6	3	23	7.7	0	11
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**66**	**1588**	**24.1**	**1**	**91t**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**33**	**763**	**23.1**	**1**	**100t**

SCORING	GP-GS	TD	-Conversions- RUN	PASS	KICK	FG	S	DX	PTS
DWAYNE SCHULTERS	9-5	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	60
CHRIS FERENCIK	8-0	0	0-0	0-0	23-24	5	0	0	38
JAKE HOFFART	11-9	5	0-0	1-0	0-0	0	0	0	32
BILLY WEST	11-8	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	18
CURTIS ANDERSON	10-10	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	18
MARK BUTLER	11-11	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	18
CHRIS SCHNEIDER	8-6	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	12
MATT LYTLE	10-9	1	0-0	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	6
JOHN JONES	11-7	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	6
MYKE DUCK	4-0	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	6
PETE GONZALEZ	11-2	0	0-0	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	0
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**29**	**0-1**	**1-4**	**23-24**	**5**	**0**	**0**	**214**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**58**	**0-2**	**0-0**	**52-56**	**10**	**0**	**0**	**430**

PUNT RETURNS	GP-GS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD	LP
JOHN JENKINS	11-11	18	196	10.9	0	33
ERIC KASPEROWICZ	4-0	2	15	7.5	0	8
HANK POTEAT	8-0	3	18	6.0	0	17
CURTIS ANDERSON	10-10	1	-8	-----	0	0
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**24**	**221**	**9.2**	**0**	**33**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**42**	**695**	**16.5**	**5**	**83t**

INTERCEPTION RETURNS	GP-GS	NO.	YDS.	TD	LP
RASSHAD WHITMILL	10-6	2	61	0	33
CURTIS ANDERSON	10-10	1	38	0	38
CURTIS MCGHEE	11-11	1	11	0	11
DEMOND GIBSON	11-10	1	1	0	1
JOHN JENKINS	11-11	1	0	0	0
ERIC KASPEROWICZ	4-0	1	0	0	0
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	**11-11**	**7**	**111**	**0**	**38**
OPPONENT TOTALS	**11-11**	**10**	**115**	**0**	**57**



After sitting out the 1995 season with a knee injury, Curtis McGhee returned in 1996 to lead the Panthers with 86 tackles. He also had one interception for 11 yards.

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Defensive Statistics

PLAYER	GP-GS	T	A	HITS	CF	RF-YDS	PBU	PRES	TFL-YDS	SACKS	INT	BK
CURTIS MCGHEE	11-11	56	30	86	0.0	0- 0	3	0	1.0- 3	1.0- 9	1	0
JOHN JENKINS	11-11	44	19	63	0.0	0- 0	2	1	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	1	0
ERNEST COAKLEY	10-10	28	27	55	3.0	0- 0	0	1	1.0- 1	1.5- 11	0	0
ROD HUMPHREY	11- 9	32	22	54	1.0	0- 0	2	1	1.0- 2	1.0- 2	0	0
SETH HORNACK	9- 5	29	19	48	1.0	1- 0	0	1	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
DEMOND GIBSON	11-10	26	10	36	0.0	1- 0	0	0	1.0- 3	2.0- 11	1	0
PHIL CLARKE	9- 6	17	14	31	0.0	1- 0	0	0	3.0- 5	0.0- 0	0	0
JULIAN GRAHAM	11- 2	17	12	29	1.0	0- 0	0	0	2.0- 6	1.0- 3	0	0
CURTIS ANDERSON	10-10	24	3	27	0.0	0- 0	5	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	1	0
CHUCK BROWN	7- 7	19	8	27	0.0	0- 0	3	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
JASON CHAVIS	11- 5	17	9	26	0.0	0- 0	0	0	1.0- 0	1.5- 12	0	0
E.C. VAROUTSOS	10- 4	20	5	25	1.0	1- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
NATHAN KIRBY	9- 0	13	12	25	0.0	0- 0	0	0	2.0- 2	0.0- 0	0	0
JARED MILLER	11-11	12	12	24	0.0	0- 0	0	1	5.0- 12	1.0- 12	0	0
MIKE MOHRING	5- 5	16	7	23	0.0	0- 0	0	2	1.0- 2	0.0- 0	0	0
CHRIS DILBA	10- 1	7	13	20	0.0	0- 0	0	0	1.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
JIMMY WILLIAMS	10- 0	14	3	17	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
FRANK MOORE	11- 2	5	11	16	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
KENNY PEGRAM	11- 6	7	8	15	0.0	0- 0	0	0	1.0- 3	0.0- 0	0	0
KEN KONEK	9- 0	7	8	15	0.0	1- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
MAURICE HARRIS	8- 1	7	5	2	0.0	0- 0	3	0	1.0- 8	0.0- 0	0	0
MARLIN YOUNG	7- 1	7	4	11	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
NAMDI NKUWO	9- 0	6	5	11	0.0	1- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
DJEMS DON	9- 1	5	6	11	0.0	0- 0	0	0	1.0- 1	0.0- 0	0	0
JASON SOBOLESKI	10- 1	6	4	10	0.0	0- 0	0	0	2.0- 4	1.0- 5	0	0
RASSHAD WHITMILL	10- 6	7	2	9	0.0	0- 0	9	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	2	0
PAUL FATH	3- 0	5	3	8	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
HANK POTEAT	8- 0	6	1	7	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
ERIC KASPEROWICZ	4- 0	5	1	6	0.0	1- 0	1	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	1	0
TREY MCCRAY	8- 2	2	4	6	0.0	1- 0	0	1	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
D.J. DINKINS	7- 0	4	1	5	1.0	0- 0	0	0	1.0- 2	0.0- 0	0	0
NDUKA IBEKWE	7- 0	3	1	4	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
KARIM THOMPSON	8- 0	0	4	4	0.0	0- 0	0	0	1.0- 2	0.0- 0	0	0
DWAYNE SCHULTERS	9- 5	2	1	3	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
BEN KOPP	2- 0	2	1	3	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
CHRIS BURNETT	7- 0	2	0	2	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
BILLY WEST	11- 8	1	1	2	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
JOHN PARKER	8- 0	1	1	2	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
JOHN JONES	11- 7	1	0	1	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
CHRIS BEASLEY	9- 2	1	0	1	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
RAHEEM JOHNSON	1- 0	0	1	1	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	0.0- 0	0	0
TEAM	4- 0	0	0	0	0.0	0- 0	0	0	0.0- 0	1.0- 1	0	0
PITTSBURGH TOTALS	11-11	483	290	781	8.0	8- 0	28	8	26.0-56	11.0-66	7	0
OPPONENT TOTALS	11-11	432	243	675	11.0	14-48	27	0	38.0-144	28.0-222	10	2

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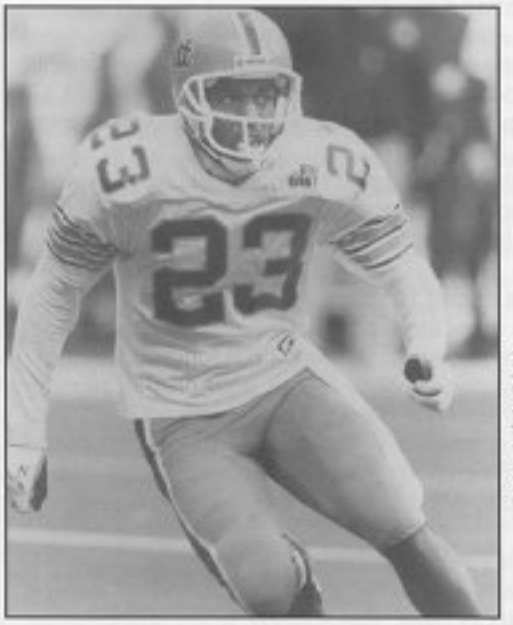
INDIVIDUAL

Longest run from scrimmage for TD:
67, Dwayne Schulters vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Longest run from scrimmage no score:
33, Pete Gonzalez vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Most rushing attempts: 33, Billy West vs. Houston (9/14/96)
Most yards rushing:143, Billy West vs. Houston (9/14/96)
Longest pass for TD: 48, Jake Hoffart vs. Rutgers (11/30/96)
Longest pass, no score: 50, Kirk McMullen vs. Rutgers (11/30/96)
Most passes attempted: 34, Matt Lytle vs. Virginia Tech (10/26/96)
Most passes completed:16, Matt Lytle vs. Rutgers (11/30/96)
Most yards passing: 279, Matt Lytle vs. Rutgers (11/30/96)
Most touchdown passes:2, Matt Lytle vs. Kent (9/7/96), Temple (10/5/96); Pete Gonzalez vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Most receptions: 8, Mark Butler vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Most yards receiving: 148, Jake Hoffart vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Most touchdown receptions: 2, Mark Butler vs.Temple (9/7/96)
Longest punt return for TD: None
Longest punt return no score: 33, John Jenkins vs. Houston (9/14/96)
Longest kickoff return for TD:91, Curtis Anderson vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Longest kickoff return no score:
53, Hank Poteat vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Longest pass interception no score:
38, Curtis Anderson vs. Rutgers (11/30/96)
Longest field goal: 49, Chris Ferencik vs.Temple (10/5/96)
Most pass interceptions:
2, Rashaad Whitmill vs. Boston College (10/31/96)
Most tackles in one game: 16, Curtis McGhee vs. Va. Tech (10/26/96)
Most quarterback sacks in one game:
2, Demond Gibson vs. Kent (9/7/96)
Longest punt: 80, Nate Cochran vs. Kent (9/7/96)*
Most touchdowns:2, Dwayne Schulters vs. Kent (9/7/96), vs. Houston (9/14/96), vs. Boston College (10/31/96), vs. Rutgers (11/30/96); Mark Butler vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Most total offensive attempts:
34, Matt Lytle vs. Virginia Tech (10/26/96)
Most total offensive yards: 279, Matt Lytle vs. Rutgers (11/30/96)
Most field goals attempted: 3, Chris Ferencik vs.Kent (9/7/96)
Most field goals made:2, Chris Ferencik vs.Temple (10/5/96)
Most PATs attempted: 7, Chris Ferencik vs. Kent (9/7/96)
Most PATs made:7, Chris Ferencik vs. Kent (9/7/96)

TEAM MARKS

Most rushing plays: 57 vs.Kent (9/7/96)
Most yards rushing (NET): 319 vs. Kent (9/7/96)
Most passes attempted: 38 vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Most passes completed: 21 vs. Temple (10/5/96)
Most passes had intercepted: 2 vs. Virginia Tech (10/26/96)
Most yards passing: 279 vs. Rutgers (11/30/96)
Most total offensive yards: 525 vs. Kent (9/7/96)
Most first downs: 29 vs. Kent (9/7/96)
Most fumbles lost: 2 vs. Kent (9/7/96); vs. Syracuse (10/12/96); vs. Notre Dame (11/16/96); vs. Rutgers (11/30/96)
Most quarterback sacks : 5 vs. Kent (9/7/96)
Most quarterback sacks allowed: 8 vs. West Virginia (8/31/96)
Most passes intercepted: 2 vs. Kent (9/7/96); vs. Boston College (10/31/96)
Longest scoring play: 91, vs. Temple (Curtis Anderson kick return) (10/5/96)

***School Record**



Curtis Anderson's 91-yard kickoff return for a touchdown against Temple was the first by a Pittsburgh player since 1990.

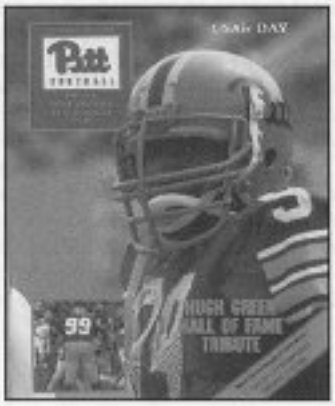
PITTSBURGH vs. THE OPPONENTS

Opponent	1996 W/L/T	Pitt/Opp. Score	Pitt/Opp. Rush	Pitt/Opp. Pass	Pitt/Opp. First Downs	Pitt/Opp. Total Offense
WEST VIRGINIA	8/3/0	0-34	27/268	74/193	8/18	101/461
KENT	2/9/0	52-14	319/72	206/66	29/11	525/138
HOUSTON	7/4/0	35-42	256/279	118/193	20/27	269/285
OHIO STATE	10/1/0	0-72	77/369	43/233	4/29	120/602
MIAMI	8/3/0	0-45	123/214	67/353	9/28	190/567
TEMPLE	1/10/0	53-52	213/174	260/445	22/25	473/619
SYRACUSE	8/3/0	7-55	123/274	57/81	10/20	180/355
VIRGINIA TECH	10/1/0	17-34	76/265	160/191	16/23	236/456
BOSTON COLLEGE	5/7/0	20-13	207/210	194/319	16/32	375/501
NOTRE DAME	8/3/0	6-60	101/332	143/233	16/28	244/565
RUTGERS	2/9/0	24-9	34/142	279/141	16/13	313/283

1996 Game Summaries

GAME 1

West Virginia 34 Pitt 0
August 31, 1996



PITTSBURGH—Pitt opened its 1996 season with a great deal of pomp and circumstance—a near sellout crowd of 54,612 and an ESPN national television audience against its biggest rival West Virginia. The Panthers, though, did not fare as well on the field and were defeated by the Mountaineers, 34-0, at Pitt Stadium.

Big plays hurt the Panthers, including a 69-yard touchdown run on WVU's initial offensive series and a 90-yard kickoff return by WVU to begin the second half.

After holding the Panthers on the game's first series, West Virginia wasted little time scoring. On a third-and-one play, redshirt freshman Amos Zereoue burst around left end for a 69-yard TD run, giving the Mountaineers a 7-0 lead just five minutes into the contest.

Pitt had an opportunity to capitalize on a WVU miscue when Pitt's Eric Kasperowicz recovered a fumbled punt at the WVU 28-yard line. But, the Panthers lost three yards in three plays and were forced to punt.

The Mountaineers added 10 unanswered points, one on a 30-yard pass play and the other three points by virtue of a 20-yard field goal that was set up by the special teams on a long punt return.

WVU produced another special-teams gem on the second-half opening kickoff when Alvin Swoope broke free for a 91-yard return, giving the Mountaineers possession at the Pitt four-yard line. WVU scored on the ensuing play for a comfortable 24-0 lead. The Mountaineers added another TD on their next possession to seal the victory.

Junior Billy West led the Panthers with 59 yards on 14 carries, including a nifty 27-yard run on his third carry since suffering a season-ending leg injury in 1994. Defensively, junior strong safety Curtis McGhee had a team-high 12 tackles, while junior Ernest Coakley registered Pitt's only sack of the game and had eight tackles in his Pitt debut.

WEST VIRGINIA	7	10	17	0	34
PITTSBURGH	0	0	0	0	0

FIRST QUARTER: WVU-Zereoue 69 run (Taylor kick), 9:45. **SECOND QUARTER:** WVU-Vanterpool 33 pass from Johnston (Taylor kick), 14:52. WVU-Taylor 20 field goal, :19. **THIRD QUARTER:** WVU Foreman 4 pass from Johnston, 12:40. WVU-Taylor 25 field goal, 5:59. WVU-Fisher 1 pass from Johnston (Taylor kick). **A-54,612.**

GAME STATISTICS		
WVU		PITT
18	First Downs	8
40-268	Rushes-Yards	33-27
25-16-0	Att-Comp-Int	18-7-1
193	Passing Yards	74
461	Total Yards	101
5-39.0	Punts-Average	10-48.1
4-27	Penalties-Yards	4-35
1-91	Kick Off Returns-Yards	7-179
4-27	Punt Returns-Yards	3-8
4-12	Third Down Conversions	1-12
34:06	Possession Time	25:54

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: WVU-Zereoue 12-135-1; Mott 4-76; A. Green 8-37; Swoope 6-16; Plants 5-12; Wilbanks 1-2; Bulger 1-(-3); Johnston (3-(-7). Pitt-West 14-59; Schulters 2-6; L. Williams 1-4; Schneider 4-1; Lytle 9-(-12); Gonzalez 3-(-31).

PASSING: WVU-Johnston 22-15-0, 184 yards, 3 TDs; Bulger 3-1-0, 9 yards. Pitt-Lytle 15-6-1, 68 yards; Gonzalez 2-1-0, 6 yards; Cochran 1-0-0.

RECEIVING: WVU-Saunders 4-30; Foreman 3-42, 1 TD; Zereoue 3-21; Wable 2-41; Vanterpool 1-33, 1 TD; Bech 1-16; Quesenberry 1-9; K. Fisher 1-1, 1 TD. Pitt-Anderson 2-31; McMullen 1-19; Ju. Williams 1-12; L. Williams 1-6; Jones 1-6; West 1-0.

GAME 2

Pitt 52 Kent 14
September 7, 1996

PITTSBURGH—Pitt rebounded from its season-opening loss to rival West Virginia with a convincing 52-14 victory against Kent State at Pitt Stadium.

The win snapped a school-tying record of 10 consecutive losses, dating back to last year's 66-6 decision against Eastern Michigan.

The Panthers (1-1) opened the scoring on a three-yard TD run by Billy West with 6:59 left in the first quarter and never trailed thereafter. That score also ended a nine-quarter scoring drought. It also was the Panthers' first TD since the Nov. 11, 1995, Syracuse game.

Kent State made things interesting, though, when free safety Rob Moore picked up a West fumble and rambled 31 yards for a touchdown to tie the score at 7-7.

But, Pitt answered on its ensuing series, marching 79 yards on eight plays that was capped by fullback Chris Schneider's nine-yard TD run, giving Pitt a 14-7 advantage.

The Panthers erupted for 17 consecutive points in the final four minutes of the second half to cruise to a 31-7 halftime cushion.

In the second half, Pitt struck quickly on its initial offensive series to pad its lead to 38-7, and with the Panthers' defense holding Kent State to just 52 total offensive yards in the second half, Pitt sealed its first victory of the 1996 season.

West led all rushers—his first 100-yard game since suffering his season-ending injury last year — compiling 115 yards and one TD on 17 carries. Junior tailback Dwayne Schulters added 98 yards and two TDs on 14 carries to help give Pitt its highest rushing yardage (319 yards) in a game since the Nov. 5, 1988, Rutgers contest.

Making his first career start at Pitt, freshman defensive tackle Demond Gibson registered the first two sacks of his career.

KENT STATE	0	7	0	7	14
PITTSBURGH	7	24	7	14	52

FIRST QUARTER: PITT-West 3 run (Ferencik kick), 2:25. **SECOND QUARTER:** KENT-Moore 31 fumble return (Groff kick), 11:16. PITT- Schneider 9 run (Ferencik kick), 2:49. PITT - Ferencik 38 field goal, 3:51. PITT - Schulters 9 run (Ferencik kick), 3:51. PITT-Butler 14 pass from Lytle (Ferencik kick), 0:15. **THIRD QUARTER:** PITT-Anderson 6 pass from Lytle (Ferencik kick), 0:15. **FOURTH QUARTER:** KENT-Reisland 1 run (Groff kick), 1:45. **A-24,374.**

GAME STATISTICS		
KENT		PITT
11	First Downs	29
42-76	Rushes-Yards	57-319
21-9-2	Att-Comp-Int	34-18-0
76	Passing Yards	206
152	Total Yards	525
12-36.6	Punts-Average	4-45.3
6-68	Penalties-Yards	7-76
5-70	Kick Off Returns-Yards	3-92
0-0	Punt Returns-Yards	8-94
1-16	Third Down Conversions	5-14
27:54	Possession Time	32:06

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Kent-Whately 23-87; Gates 7-18; Reisland 1-1, 1 TD; Goebbel 10-(-8); Forgatsch 1-(-26). Pitt-West 17-115 1 TD; Schulters 14-98, 2 TD; Schneider 10-44, 1 TD; La. Williams 8-24; Duck 2-22, 1 TD; Gonzalez 1-8; Lytle 3-8; K. Thompson 1-0; Dinkins 1-0.

PASSING: Kent-Goebbel 13-4-1; 35 yards; Reisland 6-4-0, 31 yards; Whatley 1-0-1. Pitt-Lytle 25-12-0, 125, 2 TDs; Gonzalez 8-4-0, 81 yards; Dinkins 1-0-0.

RECEIVING: Kent-Hansen 3-31; Gates 2-17; M. Britt 1-7; Santiago 1-6; Baker 1-5. Pitt-Butler 5-40, 1 TD; Hoffart 3-73; Jones 3-40; McMullen 2-29; Anderson 2-18, 1 TD; Schneider 1-6.

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GAME 3

Houston 42 Pitt 35 (OT)
September 14, 1996

PITTSBURGH—Pitt rallied from a 14-point deficit and became the Big East Conference's first team to go to the new overtime format, but the Panthers failed to answer Houston's overtime touchdown and lost to the Cougars, 42-35, at Pitt Stadium.

Pitt, which tied the game with 4:31 left in regulation on a nine-yard TD run by fullback Chris Schneider, won the coin toss for the overtime and elected to defend. Houston marched 25 yards on five plays, converting a third-and-six opportunity from the nine-yard line for the eventual game-winning touchdown. Cougar quarterback Chuck Clements connected with Robbie Wheeler in the corner of the end zone for the game-winner.

The Panthers started the game strongly and appeared to be on their way to a big victory. Capitalizing on a successful onside kick, Pitt built a 27-7 lead with 7:47 left in the first half and had the Cougars pinned at their own two-yard line as a result of a muffed kickoff return.

Once again, though, Pitt was victimized by a big play and on the second play of that series, Houston tailback Atowain Smith sprinted left and went virtually untouched 96 yards for a TD. The Cougars added another score five minutes later to turn what was once a comfortable Pitt lead into a 21-21 halftime tie.

Houston quickly added another score early in the third quarter and then scored with less than five minutes left in the period to increase its lead to 35-21 with 4:49 left in the quarter.

Pitt answered with an impressive nine-play, 76-yard scoring drive, capped by Dwayne Schulters' six-yard run. Schneider's TD tied the game, sending the game into both teams' first-ever overtime period.

Pitt running back Billy West produced his second consecutive 100-yard game, compiling 143 yards on 33 carries.

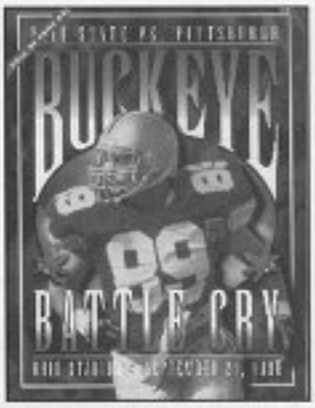
HOUSTON	0	21	14	0	7	42
PITTSBURGH	7	14	7	7	0	35

FIRST QUARTER: PITT- Lytle 6 yd pass to Anderson (Ferencik kick) **SECOND QUARTER:** HOUSTON- A. Smith 10 yd run (Villarreal kick), 13:43; PITT- West 6 yd run (Ferencik kick), 10:48; PITT- Schulters 6 yd run 7:47 (Ferencik kick); HOUSTON- A. Smith 96 yd run 8:47 (Villarreal kick); Clements 10 yd pass to Johnson (Villarreal kick), 1:24. **THIRD QUARTER:** HOUSTON- Clements 8 yd pass to C. West (Villarreal kick), 12:06; HOUSTON- Clements 18 yd pass to Dennis (Villarreal kick), 4:49; PITT- Schulters 6 yd run (Ferencik kick), :06. **FOURTH QUARTER:** PITT- Schneider 9 yd run (Ferencik kick), 4:31. OT: HOUSTON-Clements 8 yd pass to Wheeler (Villarreal kick). **A-27,648.**

GAME STATISTICS			INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
HOUSTON		PITT	
27	First Downs	20	**RUSHING:** Houston-Smith 21-194, 2TD; Sanford 15-80; Clements 2-5; Pitt- West 33-143, 1TD; Schulters 13-73, 2TD; Schneider 4-26, 1TD; Lytle 5-14.
38-193	Rushes-Yards	55-118	**PASSING:** Houston-Clements 39-22-1,193; Pitt-Lytle 24-9-0, 118.
39-22-1	Att-Comp-Int	24-9-0	**RECEIVING:** Houston- Johnson 7-82, 1 TD; West 5-52, 1 TD; Wheeler 4-33, 1 TD; deGroot 2-23; Smith 2-2; Dennis 1-18, 1 TD; Bryant 1-3; Pitt- Hoffart 3-53; Butler 2-29; Jones 2-21; Schulters 1-9; Anderson 1-6, 1 TD.
193	Passing Yards	118	
472	Total Yards	374	
4-41.3	Punts-Average	8-43.1	
4-17	Penalties-Yards	6-49	
4-99	Kickoff Returns-Yards	5-106	
4-21	Punt Returns-Yards	3-37	
7-13	Third Down Conversions	7-16	
27:10	Possession Time	32:50	

GAME 4

Ohio State 72 Pitt 0
September 21, 1996



COLUMBUS, Ohio—There was no close first half and no chance of an upset this year when Pitt faced seventh-ranked Ohio State at Ohio Stadium, and the Buckeyes rolled to an impressive 72-0 victory against the Panthers in front of an ESPN national television audience.

The Panthers were severely hampered by the absences of several regular performers who missed the game because of injuries, including starting offensive linemen Reggie Thomas and Jeff Craig. Additionally, top reserve running back Dwayne Schulters missed the game with an ankle injury. The loss was Pitt's worst defeat ever and the 72 points were the most allowed by Pitt in school history.

Ohio State took control of the game from virtually the opening kickoff. After receiving the kickoff and unable to move the ball, Pitt punted to Ohio State. The Buckeyes proceeded to score on their next 10 straight offensive possessions, which carried into the second half, and erupted for a 52-0 halftime advantage.

The Buckeyes had built a 65-0 cushion before being held scoreless on an offensive series for the first time in the game early in the fourth quarter.

Offensively, the Panthers struggled most of the day and penetrated Ohio State territory just once, late in the third quarter mostly the result of a 28-yard run by Billy West. But the Panthers could not convert a fourth-and-six, and the drive ended.

Defensively, Pitt was led by freshman safety Seth Hornack and strong safety Curtis McGhee, who had 12 and 11 tackles, respectively. Freshman linebacker Nathan Kirby added 10 tackles and redshirt freshman linebacker Julian Graham had a sack for the Panthers.

PITTSBURGH	0	0	0	0	0
OHIO STATE	21	31	13	7	72

FIRST QUARTER: OHIO STATE - Pearson 16 run (Jackson kick), 9:51. OHIO STATE - Pearson 9 run (Jackson kick), 8:03. Jackson 5 run (Jackson kick), 2:51. **SECOND QUARTER:** OHIO STATE - Stanley 19 pass from Germaine (Jackson kick), 12:07. OHIO STATE - Pearson 2 run (Jackson kick), 10:05. OHIO STATE - Boston 9 pass from Germaine. (Jackson kick), 5:21. OHIO STATE - Jackson 21 field goal, 1:03. OHIO STATE - Boston 12 pass from Jackson (Jackson kick), :17. **THIRD QUARTER:** OHIO STATE - Montgomery 1 run (Jackson kick failed), 8:19. OHIO STATE - Keller 22 run (Jackson kick), 4:09. **FOURTH QUARTER:** OHIO STATE - Boston 66 punt return (Stamp kick), 3:19. **A-93,968.**

GAME STATISTICS			INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
PITT		OHIO STATE	
4	First Downs	29	**RUSHING:** Pitt-West 9-63; Duck 6-31; Williams 5-17; Gonzalez 2-(-1); Schneider 2-(-2); Lytle 1-(-8).OSU - Montgomery 18-109, 1 TD; Pearson 24-108, 3 TD; Goings 12-62; J. Jackson 6-45; Keller 6-28, 1 TD; S. Jackson 3-23, 1 TD; Springs 3-8; Sanders 2-6; Germaine 2-0.
26-77	Rushes-Yards	74-369	**PASSING:** Pitt-Lytle 10-3-0, 22; Gonzalez 6-4-1, 21. OSU- Jackson 9-6-0, 94, 1 TD; Germaine 8-8-0, 139, 2 TD.
18-7-1	Att-Comp-Int	17-14-0	**RECEIVING:** Pitt - Schneider 3-20; Hoffart 2-15; Dinkins 2-8. OSU - Jones 2-45; Stanley 2-27, 1 TD; Boston 2-21, 2 TD; Miller 1-43; Redmond 1-22; Pearson 1-19; Wiley 1-19; Goings 1-15; Tillman 1-10; Calhoun 1-6; Keller 1-6.
43	Passing Yards	233	
120	Total Yards	602	
145	Return Yards	151	
8-44.8	Punts-Average	0	
3-16	Penalties-Yards	5-67	
1-11	Third Down Conv.	12-18	
19:50	Possession Time	40:10	

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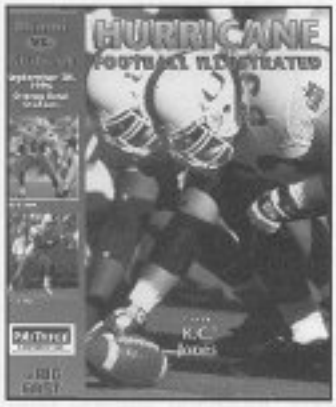
GAME 5

Miami 45 Pitt 0
September 28, 1996



MIAMI—Playing its second Top 10 team on the road in consecutive weeks, Pitt could not penetrate Miami's swarming defense nor contain its high-powered offense and suffered a 45-0 loss to the Hurricanes in the extreme heat of the Miami Orange Bowl.

Despite the lopsided score, the Panthers had several opportunities to keep the game close, but could not capitalize on a few scoring opportunities.

A missed 35-yard field-goal attempt by Chris Ferencik early in the second quarter that could have cut Pitt's deficit to 7-3 and a near miss on a 32-yard pass from Pete Gonzalez to Jake Hoffart early in the third quarter were two scoring chances Pitt was unable to convert.

After building a 14-0 lead, Miami used its potent passing attack to help produce its third score of the first half. Pitt had appeared to stop Miami on its final scoring drive of the half, but a key third-and-10 conversion helped the Hurricanes keep the drive alive. The Hurricanes capped the drive with a 24-yard pass from quarterback Ryan Clement to Tony Gaiter for the 21-0 halftime lead.

Pitt attempted to counter, but a Gonzalez pass was intercepted by Miami's Earl Little at the Miami 45-yard line to end the drive and preserve the Hurricanes' 21-0 halftime advantage.

Miami scored on four consecutive possessions in the second half en route to its 45-0 victory.

Senior Curtis Anderson, a converted wide receiver who made his first start at cornerback after just three days of practice, made an impressive debut, finishing with eight tackles and two pass deflections. Linebacker Rod Humphrey led the team with 12 tackles (nine solo stops). The game also marked the debut of freshman quarterback Tony Zimmerman, who was 0-for-4 in limited action.

PITTSBURGH	0	0	0	0	0
MIAMI	7	14	14	10	45

FIRST QUARTER: MIAMI - Ferguson 8 run (Crosland kick), 8:32. **SECOND QUARTER:** MIAMI - Gaiter 19 pass from Clement (Crosland kick), 6:16. MIAMI - Gaiter 24 pass from Clement (Crosland kick), 1:36. **THIRD QUARTER:** MIAMI - Williams 17 pass from Clement (Crosland kick), 11:55. MIAMI - Gaiter 85 pass from Covington (Crosland kick), 8:44. **FOURTH QUARTER:** MIAMI - Jones 33 run (Crosland kick), 13:33. MIAMI - Crosland 50 field goal. A-32,747.

GAME STATISTICS		INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
PITT	MIAMI	
9	First Downs	28
34-123	Rushes-Yards	41-214
22-7-1	Att-Comp-Int	31-20-0
67	Passing Yards	353
190	Total Yards	567
167	Return Yards	32
6-47.3	Punts-Average	3-41.3
4-38	Penalties-Yards	10-80
4-14	Third Down Conv.	9-14
28:08	Possession Time	31:52

RUSHING: Pitt-Williams 5-55; West 11-42, Duck 8-17; Schneider 3-10; Thompson 2-4; Gonzalez 1-3; Dinkins 1-2; Beasley 1-0; Zimmerman 2-(-10) . Miami-Ferguson 8-117, 1 TD; Jones 8-62, 1 TD; McMillan 10-35; Russell 1-6; Williams 1-2; Bippin 1-2; Joseph 1-0; Covington 1-(-15).

PASSING: Pitt-Gonzalez 17-7-1, 67; Zimmerman 4-0-0, 0; Schneider 1-0-0. Miami - Clement 23-14-0, 208, 3 TD; Covington 8-6-0, 145, 1 TD.

RECEIVING: Pitt -Schneider 2-13; Hoffart 1-25; Butler 1-12; Williams 1-9; Jones 1-6; Dinkins 1-2. Miami-Gaiter 4-135, 3 TD; Chambers 3-40; Ferguson 3-33; Bention 3-19; Joseph 2-44; Jones 1-25; Fulcher 1-19; Williams 1-17; Daphnis 1-13; Popovich 1-8.

GAME 6

Pitt 53 Temple 52
October 5, 1996

PITTSBURGH—In one of Pitt's most incredible comebacks recently, the Panthers rallied from as much as a 21-point deficit to snap a four-game losing skid and defeat Temple, 53-52, in Pitt's 1996 Homecoming game at Pitt Stadium.

Quarterback Matt Lytle, who replaced starting quarterback Pete Gonzalez early in the fourth quarter, engineered three straight scoring drives in the final 10 minutes, 13 seconds of the game to propel the Panthers to their first Big East win since the Nov. 19, 1994, Rutgers game (35-21). Junior running back Billy West capped the comeback on a six-yard TD burst with 1:10 left in the contest.

Things began interestingly for the Panthers on their initial offensive possession. After a superb 53-yard, game-opening kickoff return by Hank Poteat gave Pitt the ball at the Temple 46-yard line, tailback Dwayne Schulters flipped a lateral back to quarterback Pete Gonzalez who connected with Jake Hoffart on a 46-yard touchdown play. That play ended an eight-quarter scoring drought that lasted since the 4:49 mark in the fourth quarter of the Houston game.

Temple recovered from the opening-series fireworks and answered with a touchdown drive on the very next series. The two teams virtually scored at will. Temple, though, scored 14 points in the final 5½ minutes of the half for a 35-24 halftime lead.

Temple added another TD on its first series of the second half and led by as much as 52-33 with 10:16 left in the game. But, Lytle, who completed 12 of 20 passes for 155 yards and two touchdowns, rallied the Panthers for three consecutive scoring drives to complete Pitt's comeback.

TEMPLE	14	21	10	7	52
PITTSBURGH	17	7	9	20	53

FIRST QUARTER: PITT-Hoffart 46 pass from Gonzalez (Ferencik kick), 14:41. TEMPLE - Johnson 12 pass from Burris (Michalski kick), 13:09. PITT-Ferencik 45 field goal, 9:15. TEMPLE-Burris 17 run (Michalski kick), 5:38. PITT-Schulters 67 run (Ferencik kick), 2:05. **SECOND QUARTER:** TEMPLE-Epps 12 run (blocked punt) (Michalski kick) 10:56. PITT - Anderson 91 kickoff return (Ferencik kick), 10:37. TEMPLE - Burris 7 run (Michalski kick), 5:32. TEMPLE-Johnson 30 pass from Burris (Michalski kick) :05. **THIRD QUARTER:** TEMPLE-Michalski 24 field goal, 12:13. PITT-Ferencik 32 field goal, 9:20. TEMPLE - Johnson 87 pass from Burris (Michalski kick), 7:44. PITT-Jones 4 pass from Gonzalez (pass failed), 4:27. **FOURTH QUARTER:** TEMPLE-Lee 1 run (Michalski kick), 10:13. PITT - Butler 4 pass from Lytle (pass good), 7:55. PITT-Butler 14 pass from Lytle (pass failed), 4:39. PITT West 6 run (run failed), :58. A - 30, 054

GAME STATISTICS		INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
TEMPLE	PITT	
25	First Downs	22
38-174	Rushes-Yards	34-213
41-25-0	Att-Comp-Int	39-22-1
445	Passing Yards	188
619	Total Yards	401
143	Return Yards	248
4-39.5	Punts-Average	3-24.7
14-120	Penalties-Yards	6-61
8-18	Third Down Conv.	7-17
31:50	Possession Time	28:10

RUSHING: Temple-Culbreath 14-84; Burris 11-57, 2 TDs; Lee 8-25, 1 TD; Davis 2-5; McBride 3-4; Bonner 1 (-1). Pitt - Schulters 12-107, 1 TD, West 16-82, 1 TD; Lytle 1-11; Gonzalez 4-8; Schneider 1-5.

PASSING: Temple-Burris 41-25-0, 445, 3 TDs. Pitt-Gonzalez 17-9-1, 105, 2 TDs; Lytle 20-12-0, 155, 2 TDs; Schneider 1-0-0.

RECEIVING: Temple - Johnson 7-214, 3 TDs; Davis 6-67; Overocker 3-45; Davis 2-27; Wharton 2-16; Culbreath 2-6; Carter 1-19; Kersey 1-17; Gilliard 1-14. Pitt Butler 8-84, 2 TDs; Hoffart 7-148, 1 TD; Jones 2-16, 1 TD; Joseph 1-9; Dinkins 1-4; Schulters 1-0; Schneider 1 (-1).

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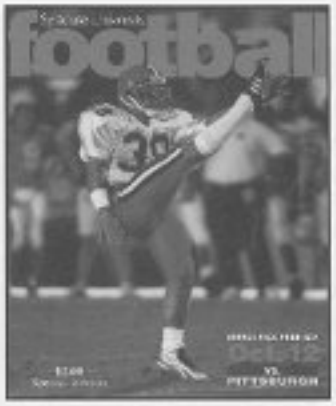
GAME 7

Syracuse 55 Pitt 7
October 12, 1996



SYRACUSE, N.Y.—Aided by excellent field position throughout most of the first half, Syracuse scored on its first three possessions of the game en route to a 55-7 victory against Pitt at the Syracuse Carrier Dome.

Despite the lopsided score, the Pitt defense played as well as it had in the few previous weeks and contained Syracuse's high-powered running attack, which had tremendous field-position advantage throughout most of the first half. Two of the Orangemen's first three drives started inside the Pitt 40-yard line and the other—their first drive of the game—began at the Syracuse 45-yard line.

But three special teams' mistakes by the Panthers changed the complexion of the game. The first was a blocked punt that was recovered and returned for a TD to give Syracuse a 24-0 lead. Pitt responded, though, with a score on the ensuing series. Quarterback Matt Lytle connected with receiver Jake Hoffart on a 24-yard pass play with 3:37 left in the half, trimming the Panthers' deficit to 24-7 at halftime.

The Orangemen returned the second-half opening kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown, and Pitt never recovered. Syracuse finalized the scoring late in the fourth quarter on another Pitt special-teams' miscue, returning a punt 72 yards for a touchdown and the 55-7 victory.

PITTSBURGH	0	7	0	0	7
SYRACUSE	17	7	17	14	55

FIRST QUARTER: SYRACUSE - Trout 36 field goal, 8:31. SYRACUSE - Konrad 3 run (Trout kick), 4:13. SYRACUSE - Konrad 2 run (Trout kick), 1:23. **SECOND QUARTER:** SYRACUSE - Nash 7 blocked punt return (Trout kick), 6:46. PITT - Hoffart 24 pass from Lytle (Ferencik kick), 3:37. **THIRD QUARTER:** SYRACUSE - Turner 100 kickoff return (Trout kick), 14:49. SYRACUSE - Williams 4 pass from McNabb (Trout kick), 6:22. SYRACUSE - Trout 29 field goal. **FOURTH QUARTER:** SYRACUSE - Downing 41 run (Trout kick), 13:41. SYRACUSE - Johnson 73 punt return (Trout kick), 3:47. **A - 45,103.**

GAME STATISTICS		INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
PITT		SYRACUSE
10	First Downs	20
34-113	Rushes-Yards	50-274
27-14-1	Att-Comp-Int	18-12-0
57	Passing Yards	81
180	Total Yards	355
204	Return Yards	239
7-32.8	Punts-Average	3-47
3-19	Penalties-Yards	6-55
7-18	Third Down Conv.	7-13
24:53	Possession Time	35:07

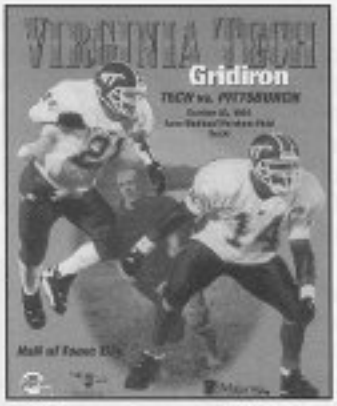
RUSHING: Pitt-West 13-58; Schulters 11-48; Gonzalez 2-12; Potasz 4-9; Lytle 2-3; Schneider 1-1; Zimmerman 1 (-6). Syracuse-Thomas 15-110; McNabb 6-53; Konrad 11-41, 2 TDs; Downing 2-28, 1 TD; Jones 7-20; Sudano 3-7; Swanson 3-7; Turner 1-6; McIntosh 2-2.

PASSING: Pitt-Lytle 19-11-1, 38; Gonzalez 6-3-0, 18; Zimmerman 2-0-0. Syracuse-McNabb 14-10-0, 55, 1 TD; Downing 4-2-0, 26.

RECEIVING: Pitt-Hoffart 3-84, 1 TD; Schneider 3-8; Murray 2-8; Potasz 2-6; Joseph 1-10; Schulters 1-2; Butler 1 (-2); West 1 (-10). Syracuse-Konrad 3-14; Williams 1-4, 1 TD; McIntosh 2-16; Johnson 1-14; Daniel 1-12; Jones 1-7; Turner 1-11; Maddox 1-5; Thomas 1 (-2).

GAME 8

Virginia Tech 34 Pitt 17
October 26, 1996



BLACKSBURG, Va.—Playing perhaps its best overall game in recent weeks, Pitt once again gave heavily favored Virginia Tech all the Hokies could handle and nearly upset them before suffering a 34-17 loss at Lane Stadium.

The Panthers, who entered the game as 30-plus point underdogs, led the highly regarded Hokies 17-13 late in the third quarter. But, Virginia Tech scored 21 unanswered points—14 points in the final quarter—to claim its fourth straight victory against the Panthers.

Pitt began the game strongly and marched impressively on its initial offensive possession on some sharp passing by quarterback Matt Lytle, who completed his first three passes of the game. The Panthers' drive stalled, though, and Pitt had to settle for a career-long 49-yard field goal by sophomore Chris Ferencik and for a 3-0 lead.

The Hokies countered on the ensuing series and claimed a 7-3 lead on a seven-play, 68-yard drive.

Pitt regained the lead and for the first time in several games, the Panthers remained in contention in the first half. Virginia Tech scored late in the second quarter for a 13-10 halftime advantage.

Pitt capitalized on a muffed punt by Virginia Tech late in the third quarter to produce a 17-13 lead with 6:15 left in the frame. But, the Hokies answered with three straight scores for the 34-17 victory.

With the Panthers trailing 27-17 early in the fourth quarter and still in contention, Pitt threatened by driving deep into Virginia Tech territory, but Lytle was intercepted at the Tech 19-yard line by Loren Johnson which he returned 57 yards to set up the Hokies' final TD of the game.

PITTSBURGH	3	7	7	0	17
VIRGINIA TECH	7	6	7	14	34

FIRST QUARTER: PITT - Ferencik 49 field goal, 11:29. VIRGINIA TECH - Oxendine 6 run (Graham kick), 9:08. **SECOND QUARTER:** PITT - Schulters 2 run (Ferencik kick), 3:43. VIRGINIA TECH - Edmonds 1 run (kick failed), 0:37. **THIRD QUARTER:** Lytle 2 run (Ferencik kick), 6:15. VIRGINIA TECH - Scales 7 pass from Druckenmiller (Graham kick), 2:14. **FOURTH QUARTER:** VIRGINIA TECH - Scales 71 pass from Druckenmiller (Graham kick), 14:51. VIRGINIA TECH - Oxendine 1 run (Graham kick), 6:49. **A - 43,625.**

GAME STATISTICS		INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
PITT		VIRGINIA TECH
16	First Downs	23
36-76	Rushes-Yards	49-265
38-15-2	Att-Comp-Int	20-10-0
180	Passing Yards	191
256	Total Yards	456
180	Return Yards	97
6-45.1	Punts-Average	5-35.7
8-78	Penalties-Yards	5-48
5-15	Third Down Conv.	4-12
32:11	Possession Time	27:49

RUSHING: Pitt-Lytle 11-39, 1 TD; Schulters 13-38, 1 TD; West 3-4; Duck 7-17; Murray 1-(minus 10); Zimmerman 1-(minus 12). Virginia Tech-Druckenmiller 3-1; Edmonds 12-60, 1 TD; Oxendine 19-111, 2 TD; Parker 12-84; Stith 2-11.

PASSING: Pitt-Lytle 34-13-2, 152 yds; Zimmerman 2-1-0, 8 yds. Virginia Tech-Druckenmiller 20-10-0, 191 yds, 2 TDs.

RECEIVING: Pitt-Hoffart 5-80; Jones 5-70; Joseph 1-8; Murray 2-8; Butler 2-15. Virginia Tech-Edmonds 1-9; White 2-46; Parker 2-23; Stuewe 1-10; Scales 3-95, 2 TDs; Jennings 1-8.

1996 Game Summaries

GAME 9

Pitt 20 Boston College 13
October 31, 1996

PITTSBURGH—Producing one of its best overall performances in the past few seasons, the Panthers snapped a four-game losing streak against Boston College and upset the Eagles, 20-13, in an ESPN Thursday night nationally televised game at Pitt Stadium.

In the process, the Panthers, who led from start to finish, kept intact their undefeated record in Thursday night ESPN games under former Head Coach John Majors.

Pitt scored on its second offensive possession of the game, an impressive 11-play, 84-yard drive and never trailed. Tailback Dwayne Schulters, who rushed for 117 yards and two TDs on 27 carries to earn Big East Offensive Player of the Week honors, capped the drive with a two-yard burst, giving Pitt a 7-0 advantage.

BC trimmed the cushion to 7-3 on a 45-yard field goal at the end of the first quarter. Neither team scored in the second period and the half ended at 7-3.

Capitalizing on a strong defensive stand, Pitt increased its lead to 13-3 when quarterback Matt Lytle and receiver Jake Hoffart connected on a 40-yard bomb late in the third quarter.

BC answered, though, and stayed in contention with a 44-yard field goal to trim its deficit to 13-6.

Two key defensive plays by defensive back Rasshad Whitmill helped secure the Pitt victory. Whitmill intercepted two passes deep in Pitt territory to thwart Eagle scoring drives. His second interception of the game, which he returned 33 yards to set up a Pitt score, ended a potential game-tying BC scoring drive at the Pitt nine-yard line early in the fourth quarter.

Linebacker Curtis McGhee led the Panthers with 12 tackles, while freshman strong safety Seth Hornack finished with 11 stops, including seven solo tackles.

BOSTON COLLEGE	3	0	3	7	13
PITTSBURGH	7	0	6	7	20

FIRST QUARTER: PITT-Schulters 2 yd run (Ferencik kick), 6:03; BC-Matich 45 yd field goal. **SECOND QUARTER:** No score. **THIRD QUARTER:** Pitt-Hoffart 40 yd pass from Lytle (Ferencik kick failed) 3:28; Matich 44 yd field goal. **FOURTH QUARTER:** Schulters 8 yd run (Ferencik kick), 3:14; BC-Walker 9 yd run (Matich kick), 1:10. **A-26, 313.**

GAME STATISTICS			INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
BC		PITT	
32	First Downs	16	**RUSHING:** BC-Walker 31-143, 1TD; Cloud 4-37; Hasselback 6-2; Pitt- Schulter 27-117, 2 TD; West 8-38; Lytle 8-20; Butler 1-4; Poteat 1-2.
41-162	Rushes-Yards	45-151	
51-27-2	Att-Comp-Int	23-10-0	**PASSING:** BC- Hasselback 43-21-1, 259 yds; Mutryn 8-6-0, 60 yds; Pitt- Lytle 23-10-0, 194 yds, 1 TD; Gonzalez 0-0-0.
319	Passing Yards	194	
501	Total Yards	375	
3-48.3	Punts-Average	6-40.0	**RECEIVING:** BC- Cosmo 6-106; Walker 6-57; Pollack 6-75; Harding 5-39; Dragos 3-31; Newman 1-11; Pitt- Hoffart 4-105, 1 TD; Jones 2-43; Murray 1-21; McMullen 1-10; Schulters 1-10; Butler 1-5.
6-49	Penalties-Yards	8-63	
3-59	Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-63	
2-9	Punt Returns-Yards	2-21	
6-15	Third Down Conversions	7-15	
31:29	Possession Time	28:31	

GAME 10

Notre Dame 60 Pitt 6
November 16, 1996

NOTRE DAME, Ind.—Pitt began the game strongly and played heavily favored Notre Dame close through a little more than a quarter before three major special teams breakdowns helped propel the Fighting Irish to a 60-6 victory on Nov. 16 at Notre Dame Stadium.

The Panthers opened the contest with an impressive 13-play drive that consumed more than seven minutes, but Pitt could not convert the drive into a score.

Neither team produced much offense throughout the first quarter, and the game remained scoreless until Notre Dame's Allen Rossum returned a Nate Cochran punt 55 yards for the first TD of the game. The Irish followed that score with another on their next offensive possession, but it was ND's two consecutive punt returns for touchdowns within a minute that helped Notre Dame take control of the contest and build a 40-0 halftime advantage.

Pittsburgh managed its ony score of the game early in the fourth quarter, when quarterback Pete Gonzalez, who replaced starter Matt Lytle, connected with Jake Hoffart on a 32-yard pass play. The Panthers' two-point conversion failed, and Notre Dame added another score late in the game for the 60-6 final.

Hoffart finished the game with six receptions for 76 yards and a TD. Free safety John Jenkins led the Panthers with a season-high 18 tackles, including 10 solo stops.

PITTSBURGH	0	0	0	6	6
NOTRE DAME	8	40	13	7	60

FIRST QUARTER: no scoring. **SECOND QUARTER:** NOTRE DAME - Rossum 55 punt return (Sanson kick), 12:42. NOTRE DAME - Spencer 40 run (kick failed), 9:35. NOTRE DAME - Farmer 1 run (run failed), 6:31. NOTRE DAME - Rossum 83 punt return (Sanson kick), 5:30. NOTRE DAME - Kinder 2 run (Palumbo kick), 1:31. **THIRD QUARTER:** NOTRE DAME - Goodspeed 22 pass from Jackson (McCarthy kick), 12:17. NOTRE DAME - Farmer 16 run (kick failed), 1:28. **FOURTH QUARTER:** PITT - Hoffart 32 pass from Gonzalez (pass failed), 14:53 NOTRE DAME - Carretta 2 run (McDonnell kick), 3:18. **A - 59, 075**

GAME STATISTICS			INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
PITT		NOTRE DAME	
16	First Downs	28	**RUSHING:** Pitt - Schulters 13-45; Poteat 8-44; West 8-43; Dinkins 1-0; Gonzalez 2 (-4); Lytle 7 (-27). Notre Dame - Farmer 22-140, 2 TDs; Denson 12-104; Spencer 5-58, 1 TD; Carretta 3-9; Goodspeed 5-5; Kinder 2-4, 1 TD; Jackson 2-4; Powlus 1-3; Barry 1-3; Stephens 2-2.
39-101	Rushes-Yards	55-332	
30-14-2	Att-Comp-Int	21-13-0	
143	Passing Yards	233	
244	Total Yards	565	
71	Return Yards	165	**PASSING:** Pitt - Lytle 20-12-1, 97, 1 TD; Gonzalez 7-2-0, 46, 1 TD; Zimmerman 2-0-1; Dinkins 1-0-0. Notre Dame - Powlus 13-8-0, 171; Jackson 7-4-0, 58, 1 TD; Smith 1-1, 4.
3-48.3	Punts-Average	6-40.0	
6-49	Penalties-Yards	8-63	**RECEIVING: Pitt -** Hoffart 6-76, 1 TD; Jones 3-24; Butler 3-21; McMullen 2-22. Notre Dame - Stephens 3-62; Chrykiewicz; Brown 1-49; Goodspeed 1-22; Farmer 1-13; Carretta 1-10; Mosley 1-9; Barry 1-4; Spencer 1-4.
6-15	Third Down Conv.	7-15	
31:29	Possession Time	28:31	

1996 Game Summaries

GAME 11

Pitt 24 Rutgers 9
November 30, 1996

PITTSBURGH—Pitt rebounded from a loss to Notre Dame two weeks earlier to help Johnny Majors end his second term as Pitt Head Coach with an impressive 24-9 win over Rutgers at Pitt Stadium on November 30, 1996, in both teams' season finale.

In a pregame ceremony, Pitt recognized 16 graduating seniors and Majors, who resigned earlier in the week.

Rutgers' Chad Bosch rushed for the first touchdown of the game early in the second quarter, but the Panthers' defense blocked the point-after-attempt. The momentum continued, and Pitt mounted an 81-yard drive capped by Dwayne Schulters' 6-yard touchdown run.

Rutgers' next drive was stopped short by Curtis Anderson's interception, which put the Panthers in scoring position at the Rutgers' 7-yard line. Schulters then scored his second rushing touchdown of the half, sending Pitt into the lockerroom with a 14-6 lead.

After an early third-quarter Rutgers field goal, Jake Hoffart caught a 48-yard touchdown pass from Matt Lytle. The extra point put Pitt ahead 21-9. Chris Ferencik's field goal with two minutes left in the third quarter capped the scoring, and Pitt went on to win 24-9. Pitt improved its mark against Rutgers to 12-2 and finished the season 4-7 overall and 3-4 in the Big East.

Lytle finished the season with one of the finest performances of his career, passing for 279 yards and one touchdown, while completing 16 of 24 pass attempts.

The victory over Rutgers allowed Johnny Majors to finish his career 22nd on the NCAA all-time Division 1A coaching victories list with 185.

RUTGERS	0	6	3	0	9
PITTSBURGH	0	14	10	0	24

FIRST QUARTER: No Score. **SECOND QUARTER:** RUT- Bosch 1 yd run (Mike-Mayer kick), 14:56; Pitt- Schulters 6 yd run (Ferencik kick), 10:33; Schulters 5 yd run (Ferencik kick), 7:36. **THIRD QUARTER:** Rut- McDonald 27 yd field goal, 10:09; Hoffart 48 yd pass from Lytle (Frencik kick), 6:44; Ferencik 41 yd field goal, 2:11. **FOURTH QUARTER:** No scoring. **A-21,772.**

RUT	GAME STATISTICS	PITT
13	First Downs	16
41-142	Rushes-Yards	39-34
26-13-2	Att-Comp-Int	24-16-1
141	Passing Yards	279
283	Total Yards	313
2-40.0	Punts-Average	4-28.5
6-57	Penalties-Yards	4-20
4-62	Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-57
3-56	Punt Returns-Yards	0-0
5-14	Third Down Conversions	5-12
30:41	Possession Time	29:19

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

RUSHING: Rut-Bosch 19-90, 1 TD; Faundeny 8-17; Crooks 5-14; Sacca 3-11; Cobbs 4-10; Stephans 1-2; Harper 1-(-2); Pitt-West 13-40; Poteat 7-33; Schulters 12-23, 2 TD; Zimmerman 2-(-8); Lytle 4-(-30).

PASSING: Rut-Stephans 16-10-1, 131 yds; Sacca 8-3-1, 141 yds; Pitt-Lytle 24-16-1, 279 yds, 1 TD.

RECEIVING: Rut-Bosch 3-28; King 2-40; Harper 2-33; Holland 2-27; Cobbs 2-3; Powell 1-8; Faundeny 1-4; Pitt-Butler 5-61; Hoffart 5-78 1 TD; McMullen 3-78; Jones 2-37; Robbins 1-5.

1996 POSTSEASON AWARDS

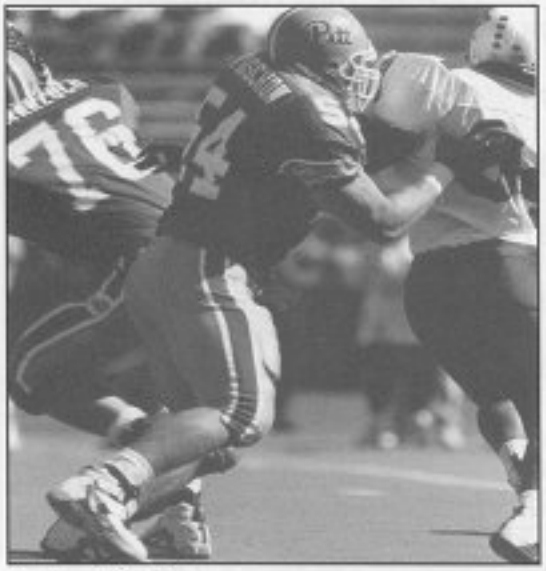
Nate Cochran, Senior, Punter

- Big East First-Team All-Conference
- *Football News* Big East All-Conference

Andrew Grischow, Sophomore, Offensive Lineman

- Big East All-Academic Team

Nate Cochran



Andrew Grischow

Team and Individual Awards

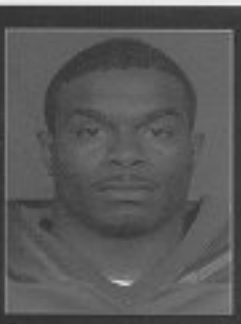
ED CONWAY MEMORIAL AWARD

Ed Conway, the "Voice of Pitt Football" for four years, was a sportscaster in Pittsburgh before his death in 1974. He was an honest, hard-working professional, and above all, a friend.

In appreciation of Ed Conway's work, and in keeping alive memories of him, the Pittsburgh football presents an annaul award in his honor to the most improved offensive and defensive players each spring. Head Coach Walt Harris will announce the recipients of the 1997 Ed Conway Awards following the completion of fall camp.

Ed Conway

Kirk McMullen



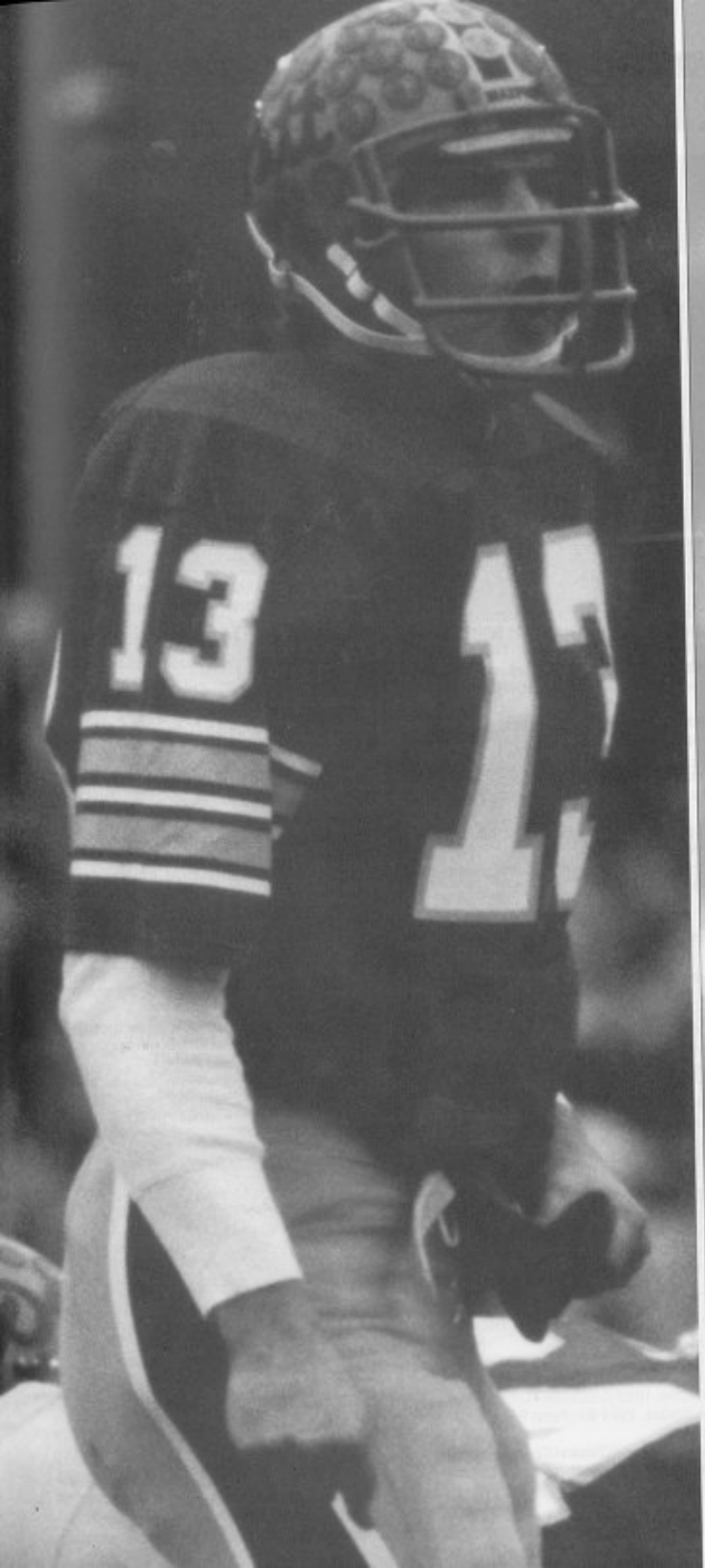
Rasshad Whitmill

1996 Recipients

OFFENSE: Kirk McMullen, Tight End
DEFENSE: Rasshad Whitmill, Defensive Back

Ed Conway Award Winners:

1975	Offense:	John Pelusi (C)
	Defense:	Randy Cozens (DE)
1976	Offense:	Bob Hutton (HB)
	Defense:	LeRoy Felder (DB)
1977	Offense:	Randy Reutershan (FL)
		George Link (OG)
	Defense:	Dave Logan (MG)
1978	Offense:	Ray "Rooster" Jones (HB)
	Defense:	Lynn Thomas (DB)
1979	Offense:	Russ Grimm (C)
	Defense:	Charles "Yogi" Jones (LB)
1980	Offense:	Emil Boures (OG)
	Defense:	Carlton Williamson (SS)
1981	Offense:	Wayne DiBartola (FB)
	Defense:	Wallace "Pappy" Thomas (CB)
1982	Offense:	Marlon McIntyre (FB)
	Defense:	Dan "Peep" Short (SS)
1983	Offense:	Mike Dahl (OG)
	Defense:	Melvin Dean (CB)
		Troy Benson (LB)
1984	Offense:	Dwayne Milloy (FL)
	Defense:	Steve Apke (LB)
1985	Offense:	Dave Shuck (TE)
	Defense:	Lee Hetrick (LB)
		John Lewis (CB)
1986	Offense:	Darrin Gillaspie (WR)
	Defense:	Jerry Olsavsky (LB)
1987	Offense:	Nate Heyward (RB)
	Defense:	Carnel Smith (DE)
1988	Offense:	Adam Walker (RB)
	Defense:	Louis Riddick (SS)
1989	Offense:	Mike LiVorio (OL)
	Defense:	Dave Coleman (CB)
1990	Offense:	Scott Stark (QB)
	Defense:	Anthony Jagers (SS)
1991	Offense:	Dan Anderson (OL)
	Defense:	Jeff Esters (DL)
1992	Offense:	Mark Fely (OL)
	Defense:	Mike Halapin (DL)
1993	Offense:	Raymond Belvin (TE)
	Defense:	Tom Barndt (DL)
		Jason Chavis (LB)
		Jay Jones (DB)
1994	Offense:	Brian Curran (OL)
	Defense:	Mike Mohring (DL)
1995	Offense:	John Jones (TE)
	Defense:	David Sumner (LB)
1996	Offense:	Kirk McMullen (TE)
	Defense:	Rasshad Whitmill (DB)



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All-Time Records

Individual Records

Rushing

Rushing Yards
Play: 91, George McLaren (Syracuse), 1917
Game: 303, Tony Dorsett (Notre Dame), 1975
Season: 2,150, Tony Dorsett, 1976
Career: 6,526, Tony Dorsett, 1973-76

Rushing Attempts
Game: 42, Craig Heyward (Notre Dame), 1987
Season: 387, Craig Heyward, 1987
Career: 1,163, Tony Dorsett, 1973-76

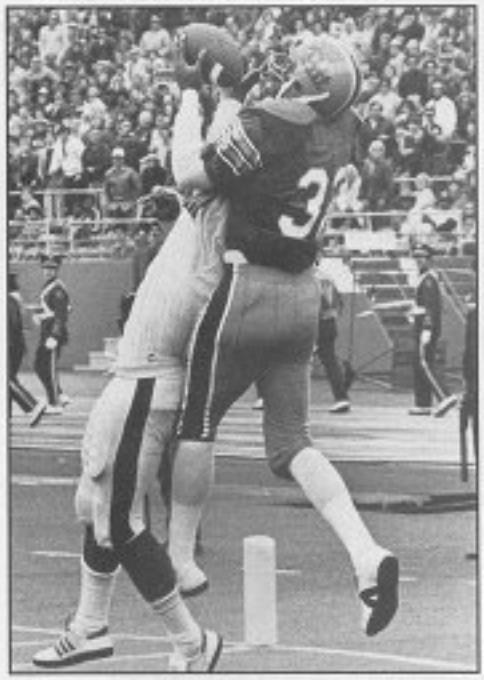
Most Games Gaining 100 Yards or More
Season: 12, Tony Dorsett, 1976
Craig Heyward, 1987
Career: 36, Tony Dorsett, 1973-76
Consecutive: 20, Tony Dorsett, 1975-76

Most Games Gaining 200 Yards or More
Season: 4, Tony Dorsett, 1976
Career: 10, Tony Dorsett, 1973-76
Consecutive: 2, Tony Dorsett, 1973 and 1976 (twice),Curvin Richards, 1988

Average Per Carry (min. 75% participation)
Game: 14.4, Tony Dorsett (Notre Dame), 1975
Season: 6.6, Tony Dorsett, 1975
Career: 5.7, Elliott Walker, 1974-77

Rushing Touchdowns
Game: 6, Norman Bill Budd, (Ohio U.), 1910
Season: 22, Tony Dorsett, 1976
Career: 58, Tony Dorsett, 1973-76

Most Consecutive Games With A Rushing Touchdown
10, George McLaren, 1916-17 (Washington & Jefferson 1916 -Carnegie Tech 1917)



Dwight Collins (1980-83), who had 24 career touchdown receptions at Pitt, shares the school record for TD catches with Dietrich Jells (1991-95).

Passing

Passing Yards
Play: 91, Alex Van Pelt to Dietrich Jells (Rutgers), 1992
Game: 446, John Congemi (Navy), 1986
Season: 3,163, Alex Van Pelt, 1992
Career: 11,267, Alex Van Pelt, 1989-92

Passes Thrown
Game: 64, Alex Van Pelt (Penn State), 1991
Season: 407, Alex Van Pelt, 1992
Career: 1,503, Alex Van Pelt, 1989-92

Passes Completed
Game: 37, Alex Van Pelt (Notre Dame), 1990
Season: 245, Alex Van Pelt, 1992
Career: 867, Alex Van Pelt, 1989-92

Touchdown Passes
Game: 6, Dan Marino (South Carolina), 1981
Season: 37, Dan Marino, 1981
Career: 79, Dan Marino, 1979-82

Most Yards Passing By A Freshman
Season: 2,881, Alex Van Pelt, 1989

Most Yards Passing By A Sophomore
Season: 2,427, Alex Van Pelt, 1990

Most Yards Passing By A Junior
Season: 2,876, Dan Marino, 1981

Most Yards Passing By A Senior
Season: 3,163, Alex Van Pelt, 1992

Most Consecutive Games With A Touchdown Pass
19, Dan Marino, 1980-82, (South Carolina 80 - Louisville 82)

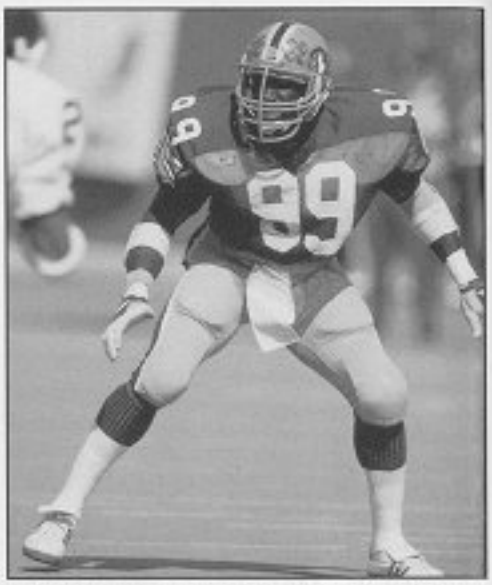
Receiving

Receiving Yards
Play: 91, Dietrich Jells from Alex Van Pelt (Rutgers), 1992
Game: 225, Dietrich Jells (West Virginia), 1994
Season: 1,091, Dietrich Jells, 1992
Career: 3,003, Dietrich Jells, 1991-95

Receptions
Game: 16, Harry Orszulak (Penn State), 1968
Season: 55, Dietrich Jells, 1992
Career:160, Dietrich Jells, 1991-95

Touchdown Receptions
Game: 4, Julius Dawkins (Cincinnati and Army), 1981 and Billy Davis (Rutgers), 1994
Season: 16, Julius Dawkins, 1981
Career: 24, Dwight Collins, 1980-83
Dietrich Jells, 1991-95

Most Consecutive Games With A Touchdown Reception
4, Julius Dawkins, 1982 (West Virginia-Louisville)
Bill Wallace, 1983 (Louisville-Notre Dame)
Chuck Scales, 1984-85 (Penn State 84-Boston College 85)
Henry Tuten, 1989 (Boston College-Temple)
Dietrich Jells, 1992 (Rutgers-Notre Dame)



Defensive end Hugh Green is Pitt's all-time career sacks leader with 49.

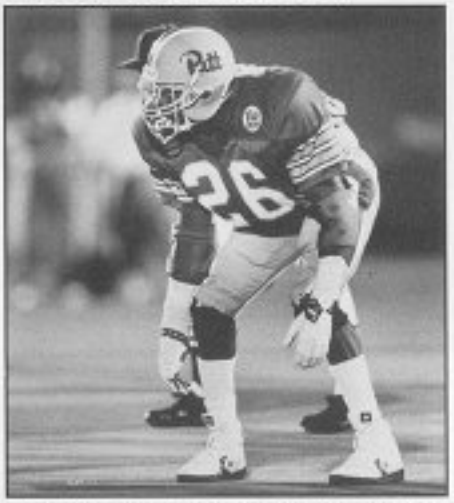
Defense

Most Interceptions
Game: 3, Lou Cecconi (Penn State), 1949
Henry Ford (Penn State), 1953
Willie Marsh (Tulane), 1978
Season: 10, Bob Jury, 1976
Career: 21, Bob Jury, 1974-77

Yards, Intercepted Passes
Play: 105, Homer Roe (West Virginia), 1908
Game: 132, Edgar Jones (Nebraska), 1941
Season: 224, Edgar Jones, 1941
Career: 266, Bob Jury, 1974-77

Most Quarterback Sacks, Season
24.5, Zeke Gadson, 1987

Most Quarterback Sacks, Career
49, Hugh Green, 1977-80
33.5, Randy Holloway, 1974-77
31, Tony Woods, 1983-86
26.5, Zeke Gadson, 1984-87
26.5, Keith Hamilton, 1989-91
25, Chris Doleman, 1981-84
23, Dennis Atiyeh, 1983-85
21, Ricardo McDonald, 1988-91



Ezekial Gadson set a single-season Pitt record with 24.5 sacks in 1987.

All-Time Records

Total Offense

Total Offense
Game: 439, John Ryan (West Virginia), 1994
Season: 3,163, Alex Van Pelt, 1992
Career: 11,146, Alex Van Pelt, 1989-92

Most All-Purpose Yards
Season: 2,217, Tony Dorsett, 1976
Career: 7,117, Tony Dorsett, 1973-76

Kicking

Points After Touchdown
Game: 9, Eric Schubert (Louisville), 1982
Chris Ferencik (Eastern Michigan), 1995
Season: 46, Snuffy Everett, 1981
Career: 133, Carson Long, 1973-76

Points After Touchdown Attempted
Game: 9, Eric Schubert (Louisville), 1982
Chris Ferencik (Eastern Michigan), 1995
Season: 51, Snuffy Everett, 1981
Career: 138, Carson Long, 1973-76

Field Goals
Game: 4, Carson Long (William & Mary), 1975
Season: 18, Carson Long, 1976
Career: 45, Carson Long, 1973-76

Field Goals Attempted
Game: 4, Carson Long (William & Mary),1975
Jeff VanHorne (Syracuse), 1986
(BYU and Penn State), 1987
Scott Kaplan (Minnesota), 1991
Sean Conley (Hawaii), 1992
David Merrick (Ohio U. and Texas), 1994
Season: 26, Carson Long, 1976
Career: 76, Carson Long, 1973-76

Longest Field Goal
Yards: 54, David Merrick (Texas), 1994

Consecutive Points After Touchdown
60, Carson Long, 1974-75

Most Consecutive Games Scoring Points
35, Mark Schubert, 1977-79

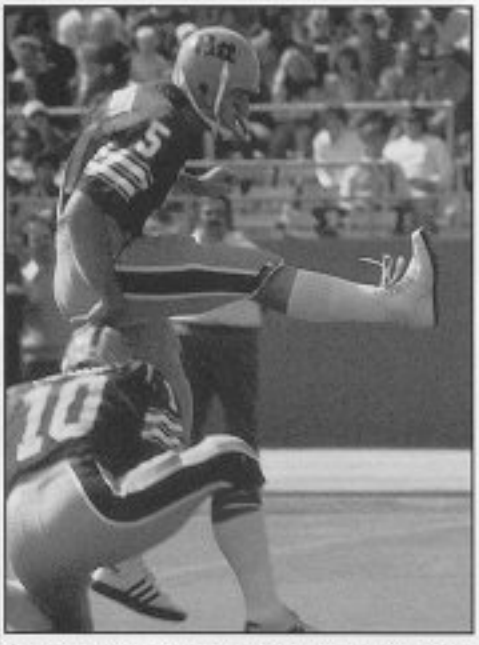
Most Points For A Kicker
Game: 17, Carson Long (William & Mary), 1975
Season: 99, Carson Long, 1976
Career: 268, Carson Long, 1973-76

Most Punts
Season: 72, Chris Jelic, 1984
Career: 252,Nate Cochran, 1993-96

Most Punting Yardage
Season: 3,075, Nate Cochran, 1996
Career: 10,851, Nate Cochran, 1993-96

Highest Punting Average
Season: 45.6, Brian Greenfield, 1990
Career: 43.5, Brian Greenfield, 1989-90

Longest Punt
Yards: 80,Nate Cochran (Kent State), 1996



Carson Long set many kicking records during his illustrious career at Pitt. Among the records he holds are field goals made in a game (4), season (18), and career (45).

Returns

Yards, Punt Returns
Play: 90, Jimmy Joe Robinson (Penn State), 1945
Game: 139, Tom Davies (West Virginia), 1920
Season: 385, Gordon Jones, 1975
Career: 983, Tom Flynn, 1980-83

Yards, Kickoff Returns
Play: 105, R.W. Richards (Bucknell), 1908
Jim DeHart (Navy), 1915
Gibby Welch (West Virginia), 1927
Game: 220, Dave Garnett (W. Virginia), 1969
Season: 653, Dave Garnett, 1969
Career: 1,337, Dave Garnett, 1968-70

Scoring

Touchdowns
Game: 6, Norman Bill Budd (Ohio U.), 1910
Season: 23, Tony Dorsett, 1976
Career: 63, Tony Dorsett, 1973-76

Most Points Scored
Game: 36, Norman Bill Budd (Ohio U.), 1910
Season: 140, Tony Dorsett, 1976
Career: 380, Tony Dorsett, 1973-76

Team Records

Games Played
Season: 12, many times
All-Time: 1,014

Games Won
Season: 12, 1976
All-Time: 576

Games Lost
Season: 10, 1972
All-Time: 408

Games Tied
Season: 3, 1960
All-Time: 42

Longest Winning Streak
33, 1914-19

Longest String of Games Without Defeat
33, 1914-19

Unbeaten, Untied Seasons
7 — 1904, 1910, 1915, 1916, 1917, 1918, 1976

National Championships
9 — 1915, 1916, 1918, 1929, 1931, 1934, 1936, 1937, 1976

Consecutive Losses
10, 1971-72

Biggest Margins of Victory
96—96-0, vs. Dickinson, 1914
88—88-0, vs. Westminster, 1926
83—83-0, vs. Waynesburg, 1904
76—76-0, vs. Temple, 1977
71—71-0, vs. California Normal (now California, PA), 1905

Biggest Margins of Defeat
72 72-0, vs. Ohio St., 1996
69—69-0, vs. Michigan, 1947
62—69-7, vs. Army, 1944
59—59-0, vs. Penn State, 1903
58—58-0, vs. Notre Dame, 1944

Nate Cochran recorded a school-record 80-yard punt against Kent State in 1996.

All-Time Records

Offense

Highest Total Points By Both Teams
Game: 111 (West Virginia 63, Pitt 48), 1965
Season: 644 (Pitt 214, Opponents 430), 1996

Highest Total Points By Pitt
Game: 96 (Dickinson), 1914
Season: 428, 1977

Lowest Total Points By Pitt
Season: 26, 1947

Highest Total Offense By Pitt
Game: 648 (Eastern Michigan), 1995
Season: 5,482, 1992

Lowest Total Offense By Pitt
Game: -11 (Michigan State), 1950
Season: 1,009, 1947

Highest Rushing By Pitt
Game: 530 (Army), 1975
Season: 3,486, 1974

Lowest Rushing By Pitt
Game: -28 (Navy), 1978
Season: 389, 1947

Highest Passing By Pitt
Game: 450 (Navy), 1986
Season: 3,482, 1992

Lowest Passing By Pitt
Season: 136, 1919

Defense

Lowest Total Points By Opponent
Season: 0, 1910

Highest Total Points By Opponent
Game: 72, Ohio St., 1996
Season: 430, 1996

Lowest Total Offense By Opponent
Game: 22 (Syracuse), 1921
Season: 522, 1915

Highest Total Offense By Opponent
Game: 675 (Virginia Tech), 1993
Season: 5,222, 1993

Lowest Rushing By Opponent
Game: -33 (Navy), 1988
Season: 300, 1915

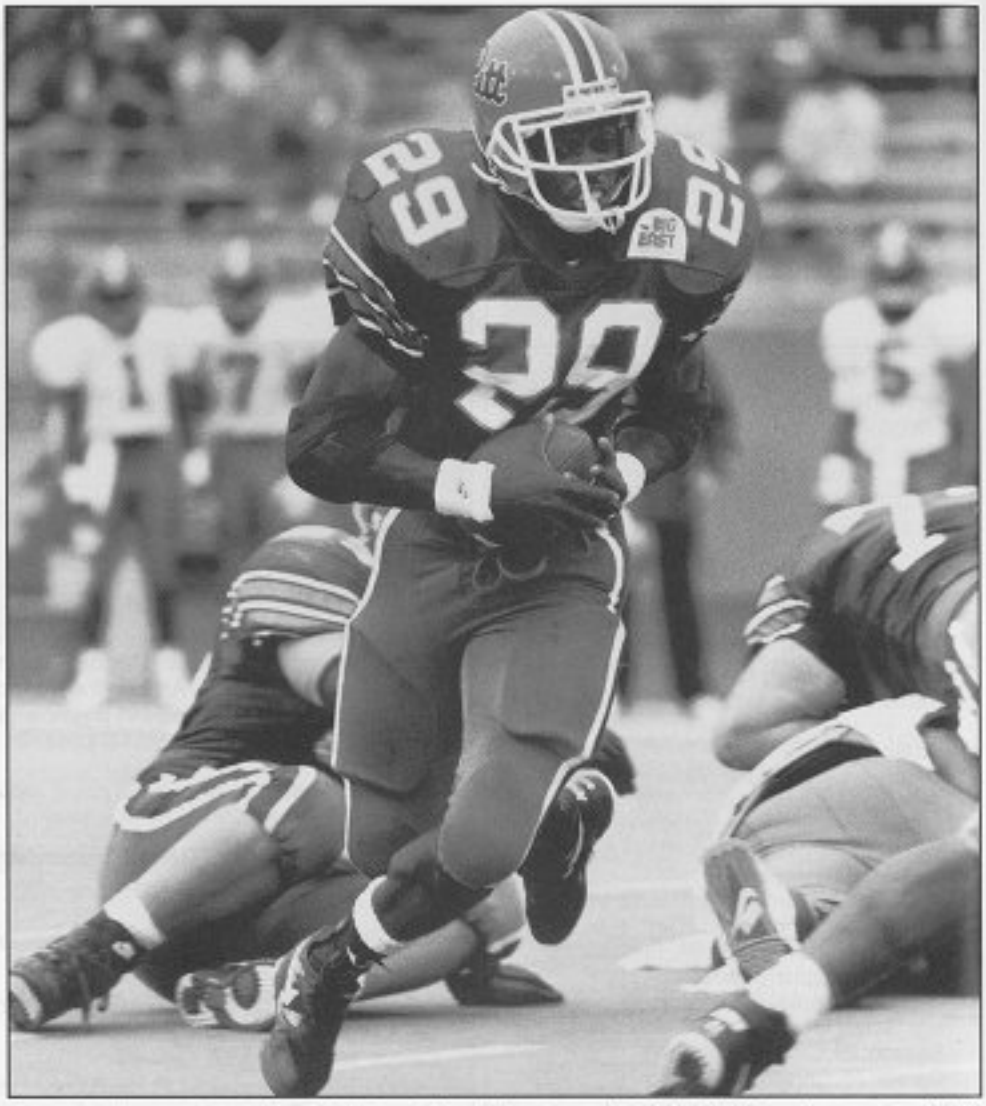
Highest Rushing By Opponent
Game: 500 (Virginia Tech), 1993
Season: 2,639, 1993

Lowest Passing By Opponent
Season: 222, 1915

Highest Passing By Opponent
Game: 455 (Temple), 1996
Season: 2,755, 1995

Most Interceptions, Team, Game
6, Boston College, 1977, 1990

Most Interceptions, Team, Season
28, 1976



Curtis Martin recorded two of Pitt's top 10 rushing plays in 1993. His 86-yard run versus West Virginia is tied for the fourth-longest run in Pitt history, while his 80-yard TD run against Temple ranks eighth on the list.

Longest Plays from Scrimmage (all touchdowns unless noted)

Rushing

91, George McLaren, Syracuse, 1917
89, Adam Walker, Northern Iowa, 1988
88, Warren Heller, Miami (Ohio), 1931
86, Curtis Martin, W. Virginia, 1993 (no TD)
86, Fred Cox, Penn State, 1959
83, Curvin Richards, Boston College, 1988
83, Bobby Grier, N.C. State, 1953 (no TD)
80, Curtis Martin, Temple, 1993
80, Gibby Welch, Penn State, 1925
80, Gibby Welch, Westminster, 1926
80, Warren Heller, Penn State, 1930
80, Henry Weisenbaugh, West Virginia, 1933
80, Leo Malarkey, West Virginia, 1936
80, Dick Cassiano, Penn State, 1937
80, Paul Martha (on lateral from Fred Cox), Miami (Florida), 1961
80, Elliott Walker, North Carolina, 1974

Passing

91, Alex Van Pelt to Dietrich Jells, Rutgers, 1992
82, Lou Cecconi to Nick DeRosa, Marquette, 1948
80, John Ryan to Dietrich Jells, West Virginia, 1994
80, Matt Cavanaugh to Gordon Jones, Syracuse, 1975
77, Jim Traficant to Paul Martha, California, 1962
76, Darnell Dickerson to Henry Tuten, Boston College, 1988
76, James Hagan to Gibby Welch, Nebraska, 1927
75, Robert Haygood to Gordon Jones, Temple, 1975
75, John Congemi to Craig Heyward, Syracuse, 1986
75, Joe Felitsky to Michael Stewart, Rutgers, 1986 (no TD)

The Last Time It Happened

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Individual Records

Rushing

200+ yards rushing:
231, Billy West vs. Ohio University, 9-10-94.
30+ Rushing attempts:
33, Billy West vs.Houston, 9-14-96.
2 Players w/100 yards rushing:
11-5-88 vs. Rutgers, Curvin Richards (202) and Darnell Dickerson (108).
100-yard rusher and 300-yard passer:
11-29-94 vs. Temple, **Billy West (149)** and John Ryan (330).
50-yard+ TD Run:
67, Dwayne Schulters vs. Temple, 10-5-96.
300+ yards rushing:
303 yards, Tony Dorsett vs. Notre Dame, 11-15-75.
3+ touchdowns rushing:
3, Demetrius Harris vs. Eastern Michigan, 9-9-95.
2 touchdowns rushing:
2, Dwayne Schulters vs. Kent, 9-7-96; vs. Houston, 9-14-96; vs. Boston College 10-31-96;vs. Rutgers 11-30-96.

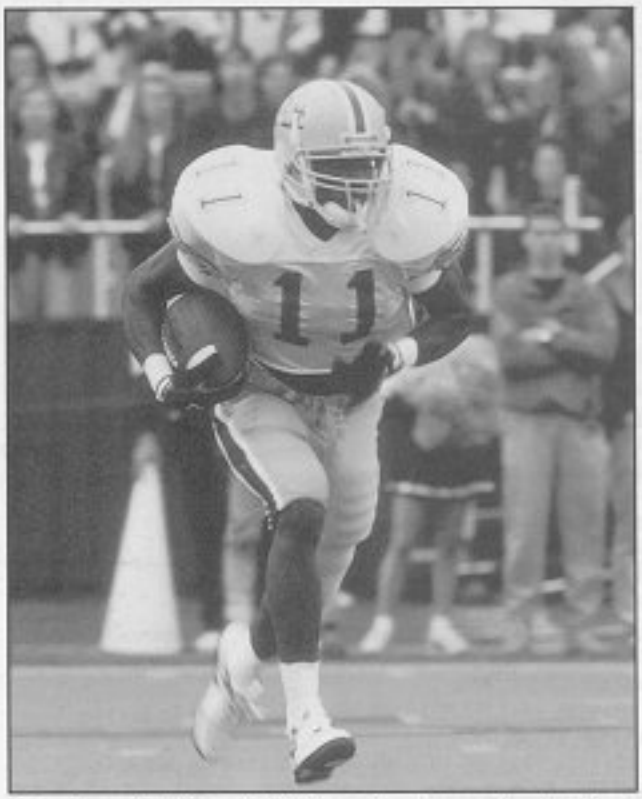
Passing

25+ pass completions:
34, Matt Lytle vs. Virginia Tech, 10-26-96.
40+ pass attempts:
47, John Ryan vs. Washington State, 9-2-95.
50+ yard TD pass:
66 yards vs. Eastern Michigan, 9-9-95, John Ryan to Dietrich Jells.
300+ yards passing:
330 yards, John Ryan vs. Temple, 11-29-94.
100+ yards rushing and 100+ yards passing (one player):
11-3-73 vs. Syracuse, Billy Daniels, 165 yards rushing and 121 yards passing.

Receiving

10+ receptions:
10, Billy Davis vs. Rutgers, 11-19-94.
50+ TD reception:
66 yards vs. Eastern Michigan, 9-9-95, Dietrich Jells from John Ryan.
150+ yards receiving:
150, Dietrich Jells vs. Rutgers, 10-28-95.

Billy Davis caught 10 passes, including four touchdown receptions, in a November 19, 1994 game against Rutgers.



Steve Israel is the last Pitt player to return a fumble for a touchdown with his 35-yard fumble return against Southern Mississippi at Pitt Stadium during the 1991 season.

Miscellaneous

50+ yard field goal:
54 yards, David Merrick vs. Texas, 9-3-94.
50+ yard punt:
80 yards, Nate Cochran vs. Kent, 9-7-96.
Safety:
vs. Rutgers, 11-9-91, Ricardo McDonald and Jeff Esters sacked Derek McCord in end zone.
Interception for TD:
David Sumner vs. Temple, 10-29-94, 20 yards.
Fumble recovery TD:
Steve Israel, vs. Southern Mississippi, 9-7-91, 35 yards.
Kickoff return TD:
Curtis Anderson, vs. Temple, 10-5-96, 91 yards.
Punt return TD:
Jay Jones, vs. Syracuse, 11-6-93, 84 yards.
Blocked FG for TD:
Tom Barndt vs. West Virginia, 10-15-94, 53 yards.
Blocked punt for TD:
Billy Davis, vs. Minnesota, 9-28-91, 13 yards.
2-point conversion (rushing):
John Ryan vs. West Virginia, 10-15-94.
2-point conversion (passing):
Matt Lytle to Jake Hoffart vs.Temple, 10-5-96.
Defensive 2-point conversion:
Doug Hetzler returned PAT attempt vs. Syracuse, 9-22-90

The Last Time It Happened

Team Records

Miscellaneous

300+ yards rushing:
315 yards, vs. Eastern Michigan, 9-9-95.
Failed to gain 100+ yards rushing:
34 yards vs. Rutgers, 11-30-96 (39 attempts, 2 TDs).
300+ yards passing:
384 yards vs. Rutgers, 10-28-95 (62 att., 29 comp., 2 TDs, 3 Int).
Shutout:
10-0, vs. Penn State, 11-14-87.
Was Shutout:
45-0, vs. Miami, 9-28-96.
Undefeated:
1976, 12-0.
Undefeated, Home:
1980, 6-0.
Undefeated, Road:
1981, 5-0.
Failed To Win A Game:
0-8-1, 1903.
Failed To Win, Home:
1993, 0-6.
Failed To Win, Road:
1996, 0-5.
100+ yards in penalties:
100 yards vs. Texas, 9-3-94 (11 penalties).
Longest winning streak:
31, 1914 (2), 1915 (8), 1916 (8), 1917 (9), 1918 (4).
Longest win streak (home):
29, 1914 (2), 1915 (6), 1916 (6), 1917 (7), 1918 (4), 1919 (4).
Longest win streak (road):
10, 1913-1917: 1913 (1), 1914 (3), 1915 (2), 1916 (2), 1917 (2).
Longest losing streak:
10, 1950-51: 1950 (3), 1951 (7); 1971-72: 1971 (3), 1972 (7).
Longest losing streak (home):
9, 1992-93: 1992(3), 1993(6).
Longest losing streak (road):
19, 1942-47: 1942 (4), 1943 (2), 1944 (3), 1945 (2), 1946 (3), 1947 (5).
Most consecutive shutouts:
11, 1910 (9) thru 1911 (2).
Most shutouts season:
9, 1904, 1905 & 1910.
Most consecutive shutouts (home):
10, 1910 (9) -- 1911 (1).
Most consecutive shutouts (road):
3, 1908-10:
Pitt 13 -- St. Louis 0, 1908
Pitt 0 -- WVU 0, 1909
Pitt 18 -- Westminster 0, 1910
1920-21:
Pitt 47 -- Geneva 0, 1920
Pitt 28 -- Geneva 0, 1921
Pitt 28 -- Penn 0, 1921
1929-30:
Pitt 40 -- Allegheny 0, 1929
Pitt 52 -- Waynesburg 0, 1930
Pitt 14 -- Syracuse 0, 1930
1932-33:
Pitt 0 -- Nebraska 0, 1932
Pitt 21 -- WVU 0, 1933
Pitt 37 -- Centre 0, 1933

Opponent Records

Rushing

200+ yards rushing:
220, Darnell Campbell, Boston College, 11-2-91.
2 players with 100-yards rushing:
Notre Dame, 11-16-96
144 yards (22 attempts, 2TDs), Robert Farmer
108 yards (12 attempts, 0 TDs), Autry Denson
30+ rushing attempts:
31, Omari Walker, Boston College, 10-31-96 (146 yards, 1TD).
100 yards/rushing & passing:
Kevin Mason, Syracuse, 9-8-94
Passing: 204 yards (23 att., 12 comp, 1 TD)
Rushing: 147 yards (17 attempts, 2 TDs)
50+ yard TD run:
69 yards, Amos Zereoue (West Virginia), 8-31-96.
96 yards, Antowain Smith (Houston), 9-14-96.
3+ TD rushing:
3, Pepe Pearson (Ohio State), 9-21-96.

Passing

25+ completions:
25, Henry Burris, Temple, 10-5-96 (41 attempts).
50+ yard TD pass:
85 yards, Miami, 9-28-96 (Scott Covington to Tony Gaiter)
71 yards, Virginia Tech, 10-26-96 (Jim Druckenmiller to Shawn Scales)
300+ yards passing:
445 yards, Henry Burris, Temple, 10-5-96.

Receiving

10+ receptions:
11, Marcus Badgett, Maryland, 10-3-92, (251 yds, 2 TDs).
50+ yard TD reception:
85 yards, Tony Gaiter from Scott Covington, Miami, 9-28-96
71 yards, Shawn Scales from Jim Druckenmiller, Virginia Tech, 10-26-96
150+ yards receiving:
214 yards, Van Johnson, Temple, 10-5-96 (7 rec., 3TDs).
2 players with 100-yards receiving:
Temple, 10-29-94
103 yards (6 receptions, 0 TDs), Van Johnson
102 yards (3 receptions, 0 TDs), Marc Baxter

Miscellaneous

Opponent failed to register a TD:
8-31-91, West Virginia, Pitt won 34-3.
Safety by opponent:
11-2-91, McGillis, Boston College., knocked fumbled snap by Leon Theodorou out of end zone.
Opponent punt return for TD:
Allen Rossum, Notre Dame, 11-16-96 (83 yards and 55).
Autry Denson, Notre Dame, 11-16-96 (74 yards).
Opp. kickoff return for TD:
Jim Turner, Syracuse, 10-12-96 (100 yards).
Opponent fumble recovery for TD:
Rob Moore, Kent, 9-7-96 (31 yards)
Opponent interception for TD:
Jason Reeves, Texas, 9-16-95 (45 yards)
Charles Woolridge, Rutgers, 10-28-95 (25 yards)
Opponent TD off blocked punt:
Phil Nash, Syracuse, 10-12-96 (7 yards).
Opponent TD off blocked FG:
Harold Kidd, West Virginia, 10-15-94 (60 yards).
Opponent Defensive 2-point conversion:
Matt Taffoni, West Virginia, interception return, 10-15-94.
Team gained 300+ yards passing:
445 yards, Temple, 10-5-96 (41 att, 25 comp, 0 Int, 3 TDs).
Team gained 300+ yards rushing:
369 yards, Ohio State, 9-21-96 (74 attempts, 6 TDs).
Team failed to gain 100+ yards rushing:
76 yards, Kent, 9-7-96 (42 attempts, 1 TD).
Team failed to gain 100+ pass yards:
76 yards, Kent, 9-7-96 (21 att, 9 comp, 1 TD).

All-Time Statistical Leaders

Rushing

Game

	Name	Opponent, Year	Yards
1.	Tony Dorsett	Notre Dame, 1975	303
2.	Tony Dorsett	Army, 1975	268
3.	Tony Dorsett	Northwestern, 1973	265
4.	Curvin Richards	East Carolina, 1989	264
5.	Craig Heyward	Kent State, 1987	259
6.	Craig Heyward	Miami (FL), 1986	254
7.	Curtis Martin	Texas, 1994	251
8.	Warren Heller	Miami (OH), 1931	250
9.	Joe McCall	Army, 1983	246
10.	Tony Dorsett	Syracuse, 1976	241
11.	Tony Dorsett	Miami (FL), 1976	227
12.	**Billy West**	**Ohio University, 1994**	**226**
13.	Gibby Welch	Westminster, 1926	224
	Tony Dorsett	Penn State, 1976	224
15.	Bryan Thomas	Florida State, 1981	217
16.	Tony Dorsett	Army, 1976	212
17.	Tony Dorsett	Syracuse, 1973	211
18.	Tony Dorsett	Notre Dame, 1973	209
19.	Curvin Richards	Navy, 1988	207
20.	Curtis Martin	Syracuse, 1993	206
21.	Marshall Goldberg	Ohio Wesleyan, 1936	203
22.	Tony Dorsett	Georgia, 1977 (Sugar Bowl)	202
	Curvin Richards	Boston College, 1988	202
	Curvin Richards	Rutgers, 1988	202
25.	Warren Heller	Penn State, 1930	200
26.	Tony Dorsett	West Virginia, 1976	199
27.	Toby Uansa	Duke, 1929	198
	John Luch	Western Reserve, 1931	198
	Robert Grier	N.C. State, 1953	198
30.	Mike Nicksick	Nebraska, 1934	196
31.	Tony Dorsett	Boston College, 1974	191

Craig "Ironhead" Heyward is third on Pitt's all-time career rushing list with 3,086 yards and has the second-highest single-season rushing mark (1,791 yards in 1987) in Pitt history, trailing only Tony Dorsett (2,150 yards in 1976).

Billy West came in for an injured Curtis Martin in 1994 and went on to rush for the fifth best single-season rushing total ever at Pitt with 1,358 yards.

Season

	Name	Season	Yards
1.	Tony Dorsett	1976	2,150
2.	Craig Heyward	1987	1,791
3.	Tony Dorsett	1973	1,686
	Tony Dorsett	1975	1,686
5.	**Billy West**	**1994**	**1,358**
6.	Curvin Richards	1989	1,282
7.	Curvin Richards	1988	1,228
8.	Bryan Thomas	1981	1,132
9.	Charles Gladman	1985	1,085
10.	Curtis Martin	1993	1,075
11.	Elliott Walker	1977	1,025
12.	Tony Dorsett	1974	1,004
13.	Toby Uansa	1929	964
14.	Joe McCall	1983	961
15.	Bryan Thomas	1982	955
16.	Elliott Walker	1975	903
17.	Marshall Goldberg	1936	886
18.	Gibby Welch	1926	815
19.	Randy McMillan	1979	802

Career

	Name	Seasons	Yards
1.	Tony Dorsett	1973-76	6,526
2.	Curvin Richards	1988-90	3,192
3.	Craig Heyward	1984, 1986-87	3,086
4.	Elliott Walker	1974-77	2,748
5.	Curtis Martin	1991-94	2,643
6.	**Billy West**	**1993-**	**2,423**
7.	Bryan Thomas	1978, 1980-82	2,141
8.	Charles Gladman	1984-86	2,019
9.	Joe McCall	1980-83	1,978
10.	Marshall Goldberg	1936-38	1,957
11.	Warren Heller	1930-32	1,949
12.	George McLaren	1915-18	1,920
13.	Gibby Welch	1925-27	1,880
14.	Dick Cassiano	1937-39	1,851
15.	Tom Davies	1918-21	1,725
16.	Freddie Jacobs	1976-79	1,627
17.	Andy Hastings	1914-16, 1919	1,527
18.	Dennis Ferris	1968-70	1,526

All-Time Statistical Leaders

Passing

Game

	Name	Opponent, Year	Yards
1.	John Congemi	Navy, 1986	446
2.	John Ryan	West Virginia, 1994	433
3.	Alex Van Pelt	Rutgers, 1992	395
	Alex Van Pelt	Maryland, 1992	395
5.	Matt Cavanaugh	Clemson, 1977	387*
6.	Alex Van Pelt	Notre Dame, 1990	384
7.	Alex Van Pelt	East Carolina, 1991	369
8.	Alex Van Pelt	West Virginia, 1989	366
9.	Alex Van Pelt	Texas A&M, 1989	354#
10.	Alex Van Pelt	Maryland, 1991	353
11.	Dan Marino	South Carolina, 1981	346
12.	Bob Bestwick	Michigan State, 1951	345
13.	Dan Marino	Temple, 1982	344
14.	Dave Havern	Syracuse, 1968	343
15.	John Congemi	Ohio State, 1984	341**
16.	Matt Cavanaugh	Duke, 1976	339
17.	Alex Van Pelt	Rutgers, 1989	336
18.	Alex Van Pelt	Rutgers, 1991	335
19.	Matt Cavanaugh	Syracuse, 1977	332
20.	John Ryan	Temple, 1994	330
21.	Alex Van Pelt	Penn State, 1991	324
22.	Dave Havern	Penn State, 1968	314
	Dan Marino	Notre Dame, 1982	314
24.	John Congemi	Notre Dame, 1986	310
25.	Alex Van Pelt	Syracuse, 1989	306
26.	John Hogan	UCLA, 1970	299
27.	Dan Marino	Army, 1980	292

*-Gator Bowl
**-Fiesta Bowl
#-John Hancock Bowl

Season

	Name	Season	Yards
1.	Alex Van Pelt	1992	3,163
2.	Alex Van Pelt	1989	2,881
3.	Dan Marino	1981	2,876
4.	Alex Van Pelt	1991	2,796
5.	Dan Marino	1982	2,432
6.	Alex Van Pelt	1990	2,427
7.	John Congemi	1986	2,048
8.	John Congemi	1983	1,940
9.	Ken Lucas	1965	1,921
10.	Matt Cavanaugh	1977	1,844
11.	Dave Havern	1968	1,810
12.	Dan Marino	1979	1,680
13.	Rick Trocano	1978	1,648
14.	Dan Marino	1980	1,609
15.	Darnell Dickerson	1988	1,599
16.	John Ryan	1995	1,439
17.	Rick Trocano	1980	1,401
18.	John Congemi	1985	1,377
19.	John Ryan	1994	1,294
20.	John Ryan	1993	1,282
21.	Jim Friedl	1969	1,277
22.	John Hogan	1972	1,250
23.	**Matt Lytle**	**1996**	**1,249**
24.	Dave Havern	1971	1,197
25.	Billy Daniels	1973	1,170

Alex Van Pelt, who never missed a start at quarterback in four years, is Pitt's all-time career passing yardage leader with 11,267 yards and also holds Pitt's single-season record with 3,163 passing yards in 1992.

Career

	Name	Seasons	Yards
1.	Alex Van Pelt	1989-92	11,267
2.	Dan Marino	1979-82	8,597
3.	John Congemi	1983-86	6,467
4.	John Ryan	1992-95	4,334
5.	Rick Trocano	1977-80	4,219
6.	Dave Havern	1968,1970-71	3,659
7.	Matt Cavanaugh	1975-77	3,378
8.	Ken Lucas	1963-65	2,557
9.	John Hogan	1970-72	2,334
10.	Billy Daniels	1972-74	2,308
11.	Bob Bestwick	1949-51	1,922
12.	Ivan Toncic	1957-59	1,744
13.	Fred Mazurek	1962-64	1,693
14.	**Matt Lytle**	**1994-**	**1,548**
15.	Corny Salvaterra	1954-56	1,496
16.	Jim Traficant	1960-62	1,455

All-Time Statistical Leaders

Receiving

Game (by receptions since 1940)

	Player	Receptions	Opponent	Yards	TDs
1.	Harry Orszulak	16	Penn State, 1968	158	0
2.	Reggie Williams	12	N.C. State, 1986	115	0
3.	Bob Longo	11	UCLA, 1966	155	1
	Steve Gaustad	11	Navy, 1978	132	0
5.	Billy Davis	10	Rutgers, 1994	135	4
	Bill Wallace	10	Penn State, 1983	173	3
	Gordon Jones	10	Clemson, 1977 (Gator Bowl)	163	1
	Harry Orszulak	10	Air Force, 1968	145	1
	Chris Bouyer	10	Maryland, 1992	128	1
	Dennis Ferris	10	UCLA, 1970	128	1
	James Maloney	10	Illinois, 1943	121	0
	Benjie Pryor	10	Boston College, 1980	110	2
13.	Keith Tinsley	9	Navy, 1986	157	3
	Dietrich Jells	9	Rutgers, 1995	152	0
	Dietrich Jells	9	Hawaii, 1992	146	0
	Bill Wallace	9	Oklahoma, 1984	135	1
	Chris Warriner	9	Michigan State, 1951	130	1
	Olanda Truitt	9	Syracuse, 1990	129	1
	Darnell Dickerson	9	Notre Dame, 1991	87	1
	Dave Moore	9	Notre Dame, 1991	61	0
	Billy Davis	9	Ohio University, 1994	82	1

Game (by yards since 1914)

	Player	Yards	Opponent	Receptions	TDs
1.	Dietrich Jells	225	West Virginia, 1994	5	2
2.	Dietrich Jells	184	Rutgers, 1992	8	1
3.	Dwight Collins	183	Florida State, 1980	6	2
4.	Paul Reider	182	Army, 1931	NA	1
5.	Bill Wallace	173	Penn State, 1983	10	3
6.	Jim Corbett	165	Duke, 1976	6	1
7.	Gordon Jones	163	Clemson, 1977 (Gator Bowl)	10	1
8.	Harry Orszulak	158	Penn State, 1968	16	0
9.	Keith Tinsley	157	Navy, 1986	9	3
10.	Julius Dawkins	155	South Carolina, 1981	6	2
	Bob Longo	155	UCLA, 1966	11	1
12.	Reggie Williams	154	N.C. State, 1987	8	1

Season (by receptions)

	Name	Season	Receptions
1.	Dietrich Jells	1992	55
2.	Bryan Thomas	1962	54
3.	Dave Moore	1991	51
	Billy Davis	1994	51
5.	Harry Orszulak	1968	50
	Dwight Collins	1982	50
7.	Olanda Truitt	1990	49
8.	Dietrich Jells	1995	48
	Steve Moyer	1969	48
10.	Benjie Pryor	1980	47
11.	Bob Longo	1966	46
	Julius Dawkins	1981	46
	Bryan Thomas	1981	46
14.	Eric Crabtree	1965	45
	Gordon Jones	1977	45
	Gordon Jones	1978	45
	Benjie Pryor	1979	45
	Bill Wallace	1983	45
19.	Ralph Still	1979	43
	John Brown	1981	43
	Bill Wallace	1984	43

Season (by yards)

	Name	Season	Yards
1.	Dietrich Jells	1992	1,091
2.	Henry Tuten	1989	975
3.	Olanda Truitt	1990	895
4.	Dwight Collins	1980	827
5.	Gordon Jones	1977	793
6.	Dietrich Jells	1995	789
7.	Julius Dawkins	1981	767
9.	Bob Longo	1966	732
9.	Billy Davis	1994	731
10.	Bill Wallace	1983	727
11.	Harry Orszulak	1968	725
12.	Eric Crabtree	1965	724
13.	Dwight Collins	1982	696
14.	**Jake Hoffart**	**1996**	**667**
15.	Gordon Jones	1978	666
16.	Dietrich Jells	1994	613
17.	Bill Wallace	1984	610
18.	Willie Collier	1980	594
19.	Benjie Pryor	1979	586
20.	Ralph Still	1979	580

All-Time Statistical Leaders

Career (by receptions since 1940)

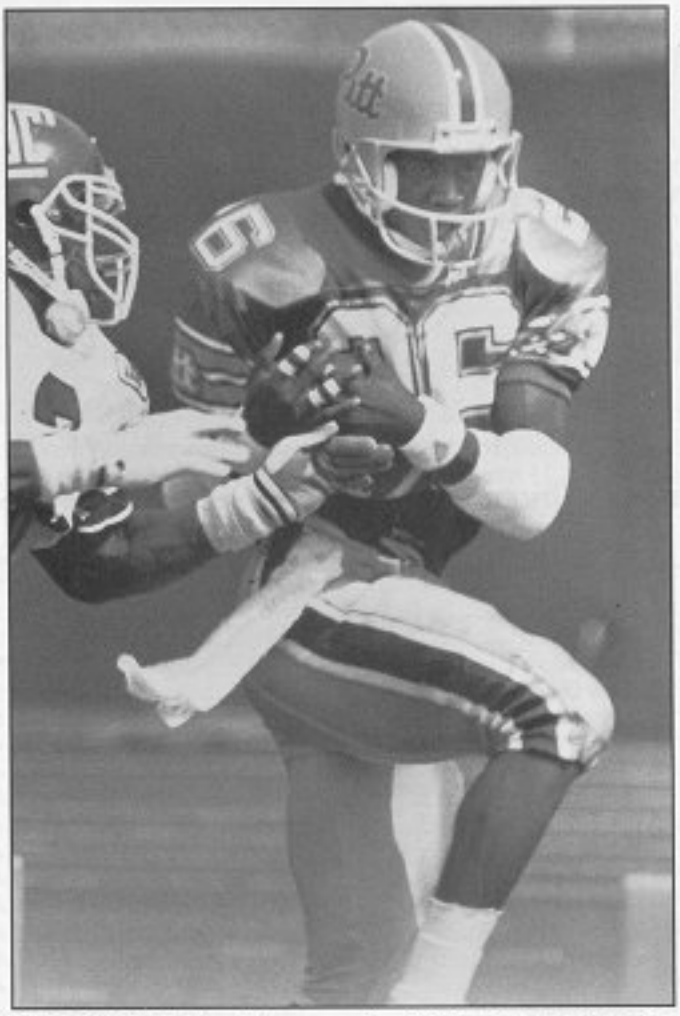
	Name	Seasons	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	Lg.	TDs
1.	Dietrich Jells	1991-95	160	3,303	18.8	91t	24
2.	Dwight Collins	1980-83	133	2,264	17.0	67t	24
	Gordon Jones	1975-78	133	2,230	16.8	80t	21
4.	Billy Davis	1991-94	120	1,680	14.0	41	13
5.	Steve Moyer	1969-71	117	1,271	10.9	43	8
6.	Bob Longo	1965-67	106	1,621	15.3	58t	8
7.	Benjie Pryor	1977-80	101	1,267	12.5	32	8
8.	Bryan Thomas	1981-82	100	1,855	8.6	26	1
9.	Dave Moore	1989-91	93	1,966	10.3	47t	5
10.	Henry Tuten	1987-89	92	1,758	19.1	76t	9
	Bill Wallace	1980-81,1983-84	92	1,384	15.0	45t	17
12.	George Medich	1967-69	91	1,023	11.2	35	8
	Julius Dawkins	1979-82	91	1,457	16.0	65t	23
14.	Reggie Williams	1985-89	88	1,439	16.4	57	6
15.	Chuck Scales	1983-86	86	1,219	14.2	60t	7
16.	Mickey Rosborough	1964-66	78	1,826	10.6	NA	2
17.	Billy Osborn	1986-88	77	1,104	14.3	66t	9
18.	Jim Corbett	1973-76	76	1,087	14.3	41	5
19.	Eric Seaman	1987,89-91	72	1,892	12.3	51t	5
20.	Joe McCall	1980-83	69	1,676	9.8	42	3
21.	Eric Crabtree	1963-65	68	1,117	16.4	NA	9
	Harry Orszulak	1966-68	68	1,938	13.8	68t	4
	Olanda Truitt	1989-90	68	1,278	18.8	63t	6

Career (by yards)

	Name	Seasons	Yards
1.	Dietrich Jells	1991-95	3,003
2.	Dwight Collins	1980-83	2,264
3.	Gordon Jones	1975-78	2,230
4.	Henry Tuten	1987-89	1,758
5.	Billy Davis	1991-94	1,680
6.	Bob Longo	1965-67	1,621
7.	Julius Dawkins	1979-82	1,457
8.	Reggie Williams	1985-89	1,439
9.	Bill Wallace	1980-81,1983-84	1,384
10.	Olanda Truitt	1989-90	1,278
11.	Steve Moyer	1969-71	1,271
12.	Benjie Pryor	1977-80	1,267
13.	Chuck Scales	1983-86	1,219
14.	Eric Crabtree	1963-65	1,117
15.	Billy Osborn	1986-88	1,104
16.	Jim Corbett	1974-76	1,087
17.	George Medich	1967-69	1,023
18.	Dave Moore	1989-91	966
19.	Steve Gaustad	1975-78	951
20.	Harry Orszulak	1966-68	938

Career All-Purpose Yards

	Name	Seasons	Yards
1.	Tony Dorsett	1973-76	7,117
2.	Gibby Welch	1925-27	4,108
3.	Craig Heyward	1984,1986-87	3,935
4.	Tom Davies	1918-21	3,931
5.	Dietrich Jells	1992-95	3,900
6.	Gordon Jones	1975-78	3,812
7.	Lou Cecconi	1946-49	3,781
8.	Curtis Martin	1991-94	3,449
9.	Curvin Richards	1988-90	3,443
10.	Eric Crabtree	1963-65	3,385
11.	Warren Heller	1930-32	3,359
12.	Elliott Walker	1974-77	3,135



Dietrich Jells finished his career in 1995 as the most prolific receiver in Pitt football history, becoming the Panthers' all-time receptions (160) and receiving yardage (3,003) leader.

All-Time Statistical Leaders

Top Total Offense Careers

	Name	Seasons	Rushing	Passing	Total
1.	Alex Van Pelt	1988-92	-119	11,267	11,148
2.	Dan Marino	1979-82	-277	8,597	8,320
3.	Tony Dorsett	1973-76	6,526	0	6,526
4.	John Congemi	1983-86	-116	6,467	6,351
5.	Rick Trocano	1977-80	673	4,219	4,892
6.	Matt Cavanaugh	1975-77	538	3,378	3,916
7.	Dave Havern	1968,1970-71	-77	3,695	3,618
8.	Billy Daniels	1972-74	908	2,308	3,216
9.	Curvin Richards	1988-90	3,192	0	3,192
10.	Warren Heller	1930-32	1,949	1,242	3,191
11.	Craig Heyward	1984,1986-87	3,086	57	3,143
12.	Fred Mazurek	1962-64	1,309	1,693	3,002
13.	Elliott Walker	1974-77	2,748	14	2,762
14.	Gibby Welch	1925-27	1,880	978	2,758

Top Scorers

	Name	Seasons	TDs	PATs	FGs	Points
1.	Tony Dorsett	1973-76	63	1(2 pt.)	0	380
2.	Carson Long	1973-76	0	133	45	268
3.	Andy Hastings	1914-16,1919	30	36	13	255
4.	Elliott Walker	1974-77	33	1(2 pt.)	0	200
5.	George McLaren	1915-18	30	3	0	183
6.	Tom Davies	1918-21	23	37	2	181
7.	Mark Schubert	1977-79	0	84	30	174
8.	Craig Heyward	1984,1986-87	26	1(2 pt.)	0	158
	Scott Kaplan	1989-92	0	67*	30	158
10.	Dick Cassiano	1937-39	24	0	0	144
	Dwight Collins	1980-83	24	0	0	144
12.	Gordon Jones	1975-78	23	1(2 pt.)	0	140
13.	Julius Dawkins	1979-82	23	0	0	138
14.	Warren Heller	1930-32	22	1	0	133
15.	Jeff VanHorne	1986-89	0	66	22	132
16.	Rick Leeson	1961-63	13	26	8	128
17.	Gibby Welch	1925-27	21	0	0	126
18.	Curvin Richards	1988-90	20	1(2 pt.)	0	122
19.	Fred Cox	1959-61	9	36	10	120
20.	Eric Schubert	1981-83	0	59	19	116
21.	Dick Booth	1925-27	14	25	1	112
22.	Dennis Ferris	1968-70	18	1(2 pt.)	0	110
23.	Marshall Goldberg	1936-38	18	0	0	108
24.	Curtis Martin	1991-94	17	2 (2pt.)	0	106
25.	Paul Martha	1961-63	17	1(2 pt.)	0	104
26.	Bill Wallace	1980-81,1983-84	17	0	0	102

*Includes one 2-pt. conversion

Defensive Statistics

Career Tackles (since 1973)

	Player	Years	Tackles	Assists	Total
1.	Arnie Weatherington	1973-76	276	201	477
2.	Hugh Green	1977-80	273	168	441
3.	Tom Tumulty	1991-95	249	164	413
4.	Steve Apke	1983-86	180	188	368
5.	Jerry Olsavsky	1985-88	228	139	367
6.	Troy Benson	1981-84	146	205	351
7.	Caesar Aldisert	1981-84	134	179	313
8.	Don Parrish	1973-76	184	124	308
9.	Tom Flynn	1980-83	198	99	297
10.	Al Romano	1973-76	173	122	295
11.	Rickey Jackson	1977-80	166	124	290
12.	Al Chesley	1975-78	172	105	277
13.	Randy Holloway	1974-77	176	92	268
14.	Jeff Pelusi	1976-79	149	113	262
15.	Ricardo McDonald	1988-91	160	100	260
16.	Tony Woods	1983-86	141	101	242
17.	Burt Grossman	1985-88	110	129	239
18.	Chris Doleman	1981-84	128	110	238
19.	Doug Whaley	1990-93	140	90	230
20.	Tom Perko	1973-75	123	106	229
21.	Billy Owens	1983-85-87	128	95	223
22.	Gary Burley	1973-74	127	92	219
23.	Dennis Moorhead	1973-75	111	107	218

Annual Leaders

Rushing

Year	Name	Attempts	Net Yards
1914	Andy Hastings	*	252
1915	Andy Hastings	*	503
1916	James DeHart	*	786
1917	George McLaren	*	782
1918	Tom Davies	*	361
1919	Tom Davies	*	650
1920	Tom Davies	*	413
1921	Orville Hewitt	*	454
1922	Orville Hewitt	*	609
1923	Andrew Gustafson	*	493
1924	Andrew Gustafson	*	432
1925	Gibby Welch	*	589
1926	Gibby Welch	*	815
1927	Allan Booth	*	659
1928	Josh Williams	*	777
1929	Toby Uansa	*	964
1930	Warren Heller	*	491
1931	Warren Heller	*	744
1932	Warren Heller	*	684
1933	Henry Weisenbaugh	*	427
1934	Mike Nicksick (Nixon)	*	779
1935	Herbert Randour	*	569
1936	Marshall Goldberg	*	886
1937	Marshall Goldberg	*	698
1938	Dick Cassiano	*	739
1939	Dick Cassiano	*	492
1940	Edgar Jones	104	447
1941	Edgar Jones	131	500
1942	William Dutton	209	575
1943	Thomas Kalmanir	41	301
1944	Donald Matthews	49	284
1945	Jimmy Joe Robinson	83	273
1946	William Abraham	71	295
1947	Lou Cecconi	55	114
1948	Lou Cecconi	104	292
1949	Lou Cecconi	113	397
1950	Joe Capp	62	258
1951	Louis Cimarolli	89	399
1952	Billy Reynolds	133	748
1953	Bobby Epps	100	424
1954	Henry Ford	95	322
1955	Louis Cimarolli	57	339
1956	Corny Salvaterra	123	504
1957	Fred Riddle	76	407
1958	Dick Haley	93	311
1959	Fred Cox	47	392
1960	Bob Clemens	74	349
1961	Rick Leeson	103	452
1962	Rick Leeson	104	481
1963	Fred Mazurek	132	646
1964	Barry McKnight	129	551
1965	Barry McKnight	124	406
1966	Mike Raklewicz	110	324
1967	Gary Cramer	78	312
1968	Dennis Ferris	120	472
1969	Tony Esposito	201	743
1970	Tony Esposito	160	623
1971	Lou Julian	101	368
1972	Stan Ostrowski	140	493
1973	Tony Dorsett	318	1,686
1974	Tony Dorsett	220	1,004
1975	Tony Dorsett	255	1,686
1976	Tony Dorsett	370	2,150
1977	Elliott Walker	172	1,025
1978	Freddie Jacobs	152	634
1979	Randy McMillan	184	802
1980	Randy McMillan	147	692
1981	Bryan Thomas	217	1,132
1982	Bryan Thomas	219	955
1983	Joe McCall	197	961
1984	Craig Heyward	123	539
1985	Charles Gladman	194	1,085
1986	Craig Heyward	171	756
1987	Craig Heyward	387	1,791
1988	Curvin Richards	207	1,228
1989	Curvin Richards	232	1,282
1990	Curvin Richards	145	682
1991	Jermaine Williams	137	682
1992	Tim Colicchio	139	743
1993	Curtis Martin	210	1,075
1994	**Billy West**	**252**	**1,358**
1995	Demetrius Harris	137	610
1996	**Billy West**	**145**	**687**

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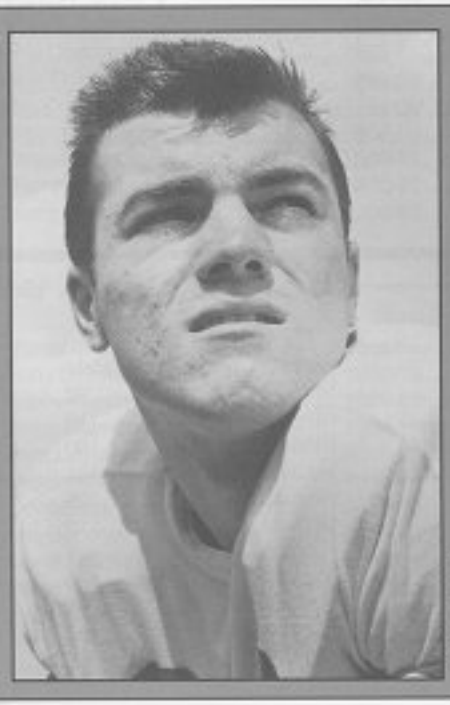

Bob Clemens was the Panthers' leading rusher during the 1960 season with 349 yards on 74 carries.

Curvin Richards led Pitt's running attack for three consecutive years during the 1988, '89 and '90 seasons.

Annual Leaders

Passing

Year	Name	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yards	TDs
1914	George Kenneth Fry	20	8	*	176	*
1915	Guy Williamson	10	6	*	117	*
1916	Andy Hastings	16	7	*	132	*
1917	George McLaren	24	11	*	136	*
1918	Tom Davies	14	7	*	114	*
1919	Tom Davies	19	5	*	80	*
1920	Tom Davies	19	11	*	171	*
1921	Tom Davies	36	15	*	146	*
1922	W.H. Flanagan	34	17	*	187	*
1923	W.H. Flanagan	67	30	*	406	*
1924	Jesse Brown	29	16	*	180	*
1925	Gibby Welch	26	11	*	182	*
1926	Gibby Welch	56	25	*	357	*
1927	Gibby Welch	55	27	*	439	*
1928	Toby Uansa	16	8	*	82	*
1929	James Rooney	15	5	*	149	*
1930	Warren Heller	17	11	*	198	*
1931	Warren Heller	53	23	*	594	*
1932	Warren Heller	69	16	*	450	*
1933	Howard Odell	47	22	*	302	*
1934	Mike Nicksick (Nixon)	27	9	*	151	*
1935	Herbert Randour	38	11	*	133	*
1936	Marshall Goldberg	19	7	*	92	*
1937	Marshall Goldberg	11	6	*	76	*
1938	Emil Narick	10	4	*	114	*
1939	Emil Narick	41	22	*	280	*
1940	Edgar Jones	37	11	6	171	*
1941	Edgar Jones	23	7	2	116	0
1942	William Dutton	95	32	10	610	4
1943	Joseph Mocha	80	34	7	506	1
1944	Paul Rickards	178	84	20	897	4
1945	William Wolff	83	32	7	499	1
1946	Carl DePasqua	41	13	6	247	2
1947	Robert Lee	25	10	4	121	0
1948	Lou Cecconi	87	30	9	542	5
1949	Lou Cecconi	91	35	6	656	6
1950	Bob Bestwick	113	62	16	757	7
1951	Bob Bestwick	178	99	11	1,165	7
1952	Rudy Mattiola	122	52	7	534	5
1953	Henry Ford	80	33	7	305	3
1954	Corny Salvaterra	57	19	8	286	3
1955	Corny Salvaterra	54	25	8	329	4
1956	Corny Salvaterra	88	33	10	500	7
1957	Bill Kaliden	93	40	5	519	2
1958	Ivan Toncic	69	49	8	641	4
1959	Ivan Toncic	133	56	13	667	8
1960	Jim Traficant	57	29	2	407	4
1961	Jim Traficant	67	32	5	437	2
1962	Jim Traficant	88	39	7	611	3
1963	Fred Mazurek	127	74	7	949	5
1964	Fred Mazurek	93	53	8	686	3
1965	Ken Lucas	268	144	15	1,921	10
1966	Ed James	193	91	16	1,162	7
1967	Bob Bazylak	124	55	8	679	2
1968	Dave Havern	287	140	20	1,810	7
1969	Jim Friedl	263	128	21	1,277	11
1970	John Hogan	140	72	6	801	3
1971	Dave Havern	207	108	10	1,197	11
1972	John Hogan	192	91	11	1,250	14
1973	Bill Daniels	176	84	14	1,170	3
1974	Bill Daniels	127	71	8	919	9
1975	Robert Haygood	78	42	4	687	4
1976	Matt Cavanaugh	110	65	3	1,046	9
1977	Matt Cavanaugh	187	110	6	1,844	15
1978	Rick Trocano	283	138	14	1,648	5
1979	Dan Marino	222	130	9	1,680	10
1980	Dan Marino	224	116	14	1,609	15
1981	Dan Marino	380	226	23	2,876	37
1982	Dan Marino	378	221	23	2,432	17
1983	John Congemi	286	170	8	1,940	16
1984	John Congemi	174	93	7	1,102	9
1985	John Congemi	241	122	11	1,377	6
1986	John Congemi	293	165	6	2,048	11
1987	Sal Genilla	145	80	8	1,051	7
1988	Darnell Dickerson	213	104	8	1,599	7
1989	Alex Van Pelt	347	192	12	2,881	17
1990	Alex Van Pelt	351	201	17	2,427	14
1991	Alex Van Pelt	398	227	14	2,796	15
1992	Alex Van Pelt	407	245	17	3,163	20
1993	John Ryan	203	115	8	1,282	6
1994	John Ryan	144	87	6	1,294	14
1995	John Ryan	232	115	15	1,439	9
1996	**Matt Lytle**	**214**	**105**	**6**	**1,249**	**8**

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John Congemi was one of four Pitt players to have led the Panthers in passing yardage in four different seasons. Presently a television sports reporter in Florida, Congemi is a member of the Celebrity Pro Golf Tour (CPGT).

All-Purpose Total Yards (since 1979)

Year	Name	Rushing	Rec.	Int.	Punt Ret.	KO Ret.	Total
1979	Randy McMillan	802	184	0	0	0	986
1980	Dwight Collins	20	827	0	0	87	934
1981	Bryan Thomas	1,132	451	0	0	0	1,583
1982	Bryan Thomas	955	404	0	0	0	1,459
1983	Joe McCall	961	253	0	0	0	1,214
1984	Craig Heyward	539	70	0	0	154	763
1985	Charles Gladman	1,085	52	0	0	0	1,137
1986	Craig Heyward	756	361	0	0	0	1,117
1987	Craig Heyward	1,791	207	0	0	0	1,998
1988	Curvin Richards	1,228	29	0	0	200	1,457
1989	Curvin Richards	1,282	222	0	0	7	1,511
1990	Olanda Truitt	35	895	0	28	0	958
1991	Steve Israel	0	0	127	119	575	821
1992	Dietrich Jells	34	1,091	0	0	0	1,125
1993	Curtis Martin	1,075	249	0	0	0	1,324
1994	**Billy West**	**1,358**	**14**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1,372**
1995	Dietrich Jells	19	789	0	0	206	1,014
1996	**Dwayne Schulters**	**555**	**21**	**0**	**0**	**268**	**844**

Annual Leaders

Receiving

Year	Name	Rcpts.	Yards	TDs
1914	Philip Dillon	*	101	*
1915	James DeHart	*	74	*
1916	James Herron	*	64	*
1917	Ralph Gougler	*	130	*
1918	Tom Davies	*	102	*
1919	James DeHart	*	64	*
1920	Thomas Holleran	*	115	*
1921	Thomas Holleran	*	181	*
1922	John Anderson	*	79	*
1923	Karl Bohren	*	216	*
1924	Jack Harding	*	81	*
1925	John Kifer	*	109	*
1926	Gibby Welch	*	118	*
1927	Albert Guarino	*	198	*
1928	Joseph Donchess	*	49	*
1929	Joseph Donchess	*	65	*
1930	Edward Baker	*	234	*
1931	Paul Reider	*	379	*
1932	Joseph Skladany	*	162	*
1933	Mike Nicksick (Nixon)	*	119	*
1934	Harvey Rooker	*	106	*
1935	Frank Souchak	*	66	*
1936	Fabian Hoffman	*	132	*
1937	Lawrence Peace	*	58	*
1938	Robert Thurbon	*	82	*
1939	Robert Thurbon	*	165	*
1940	Jack Goodridge	6	117	0
1941	Walt West	4	16	0
1942	Walt West	9	116	1
1943	James Maloney	14	181	0
1944	Donald Matthews	16	136	0
1945	Jimmy Joe Robinson	11	160	0
1946	Bill McPeak	13	235	2
1947	Lou Cecconi	8	90	1
1948	Leo Skladany	11	159	1
1949	Nick DeRosa	11	238	1
1950	Billy Reynolds	11	130	1
1951	Chris Warriner	37	502	5
1952	Billy Reynolds	14	132	1
1953	Dick Deitrick	13	139	0
1954	Henry Ford	5	103	1
1955	Joe Walton	16	241	8
1956	Joe Walton	21	360	6
1957	Dick Scherer	20	403	4
1958	Mike Ditka	18	252	1
1959	Mike Ditka	16	249	4
1960	Mike Ditka	11	229	2
1961	John Kuprok	18	247	1
1962	Paul Martha	12	246	2
1963	Joe Kuzneski	21	258	2
1964	Eric Crabtree	14	255	2
1965	Eric Crabtree	45	724	4
1966	Bob Longo	46	732	5
1967	Bob Longo	40	548	2
1968	Harry Orszulak	50	725	4
1969	Steve Moyer	48	437	3
1970	Dennis Ferris	35	506	3
1971	Joel Klimek	39	452	1
1972	Todd Toerper	34	531	3
1973	Bruce Murphy	20	325	0
1974	Bruce Murphy	25	400	3
1975	Jim Corbett	24	322	2
1976	Jim Corbett	34	538	2
1977	Gordon Jones	45	793	9
1978	Gordon Jones	45	666	3
1979	Benjie Pryor	45	588	3
1980	Benjie Pryor	47	574	4
1981	Julius Dawkins	46	767	16
1982	Bryan Thomas	54	404	1
1983	Bill Wallace	45	727	8
1984	Bill Wallace	43	610	8
1985	Chuck Scales	34	446	4
1986	Bill Osbom	33	414	3
1987	Reggie Williams	31	535	3
1988	Henry Tuten	37	571	3
1989	Henry Tuten	41	975	6
1990	Olanda Truitt	49	895	6
1991	Dave Moore	51	505	1
1992	Dietrich Jells	55	1,091	8
1993	Curtis Martin	33	249	1
1994	Billy Davis	51	731	9
1995	Dietrich Jells	48	789	8
1996	**Jake Hoffart**	**39**	**667**	**5**

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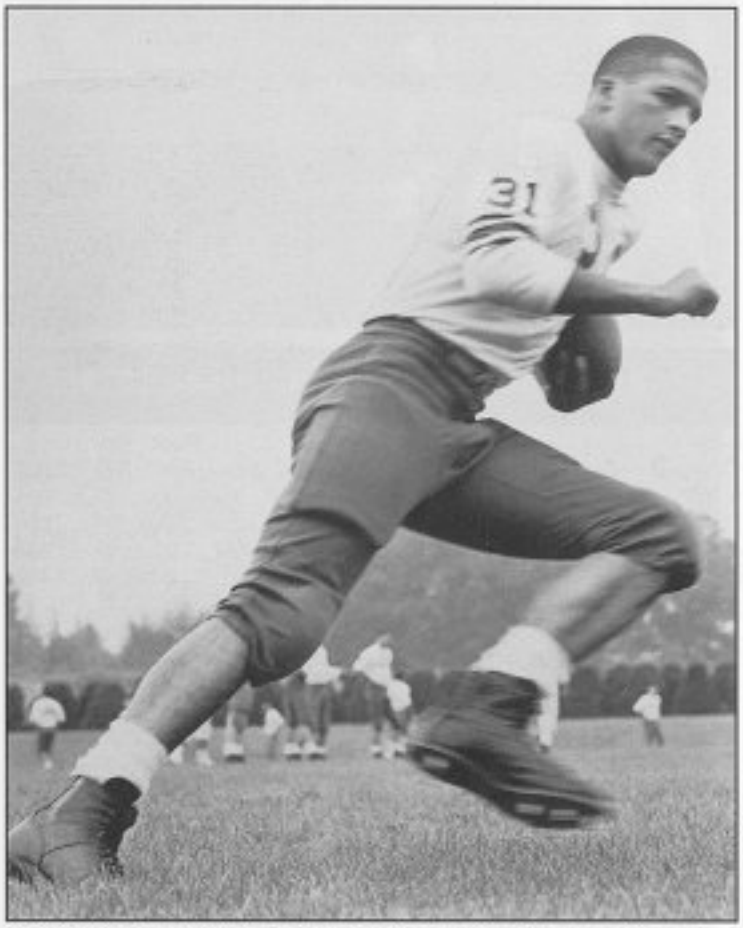

Eric Crabtree was Pitt's leading receiver and a dangerous kick return specialist during the 1964-65 seasons.

Note: From 1914-39 receptions were based on yardage; receptions are based on number from 1940- present.

Annual Leaders

Interceptions

Year	Name	No.	Yards	TDs
1914	W.E. Miller	*	110	1
1915	James DeHart	*	31	0
1916	Andy Hastings	*	63	1
1917	Carl Miksch	*	15	0
1918	William Harrington	*	7	0
1919	Tom Davies	*	151	1
1920	Tom Davies	*	70	1
1921	Orville Hewitt	*	75	1
1922	Orville Hewitt	*	70	1
1923	Karl Bohren	*	79	1
1924	Carl McCutcheon	*	32	0
1925	Andrew Gustafson	*	53	0
1926	James Hagan	*	45	0
1927	Lester Cohen	*	54	1
1928	Toby Uansa	*	98	0
1929	Toby Uansa	*	80	1
1930	Edward Baker	*	24	0
1931	Richard Matesic	*	91	1
1932	Henry Weisenbaugh	*	38	0
	Theodore Dailey	*	38	1
1933	Isadore Weinstock	*	50	1
1934	T. Arnold Greene	*	54	0
1935	Frank Souchak	*	41	0
1936	Bill Daddio	*	70	1
1937	Marshall Goldberg	*	55	1
1938	Dick Cassiano	*	22	0
1939	Ben Kish	2	15	0
1940	George Kracum	6	73	0
1941	Edgar Jones	6	224	2
1942	Jack Stetler	6	79	0
1943	Richard Trachok	2	22	0
1944	Bernard Sniscak	4	57	0
1945	Edward Zimmovan	2	33	0
1946	Carl DePasqua	5	46	0
1947	Bill McPeak	2	26	0
1948	Lou "Bimbo" Cecconi	4	17	0
1949	Carl DePasqua	6	52	0
1950	Billy Reynolds	7	123	0
1951	Joe Schmidt	3	29	0
1952	Bob Rabley	4	81	0
1953	Henry Ford	4	66	0
1954	Corny Salvaterra	2	35	0
1955	Robert Grier	2	18	0
1956	Jim Theodore	4	62	0
1957	Dick Haley	3	14	0
1958	Joe Pullekines	4	35	0
1959	Jim Cunningham	2	57	0
1960	Ed Sharockman	2	64	0
1961	Steve Jastrzembski	1	40	1
1962	Paul Martha	1	54	1
1963	Eric Crabtree	3	8	0
1964	Joe Pohl	3	20	0
1965	Mickey Depp	3	20	0
1966	Joe Curtin	5	31	0
1967	Paul Killian	2	38	0
1968	Bryant Salter	2	24	0
1969	David Dibbley	3	66	0
1970	Bryant Salter	4	62	0
1971	Bill Adams	3	83	0
1972	Mike Bulino	3	17	0
1973	Dennis Moorhead	3	104	0
1974	Glenn Hodge	3	4	0
1975	Jeff Delaney	3	27	0
1976	Bob Jury	10	95	0
1977	Bob Jury	8	171	0
1978	Mike Balzer	4	19	0
1979	Terry White	5	37	0
1980	Lynn Thomas	5	20	0
1981	Tom Flynn	5	77	0
1982	Troy Hill	3	19	0
1983	Troy Benson	4	21	0
1984	Troy Benson	3	47	0
1985	Teryl Austin	7	186	0
1986	Billy Owens	4	106	2
1987	Troy Washington	2	50	0
1988	Alonzo Hampton	5	26	0
1989	Robert Bradley	4	46	0
	Alonzo Hampton	4	6	0
1990	Doug Hetzler	4	33	1
1991	Steve Israel	6	127	1
1992	Vernon Lewis	3	9	0
1993	Maurice Williams	3	8	0
	David Sumner	3	0	0
1994	Denorse Mosley	6	27	0
1995	**John Jenkins**	**4**	**51**	**0**
1996	**Rasshad Whitmill**	**2**	**61**	**0**

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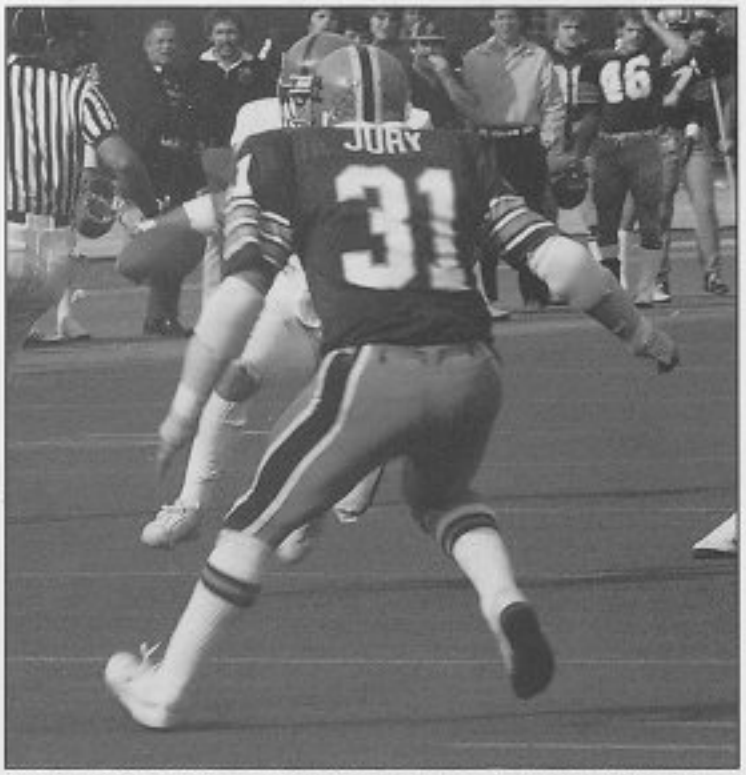
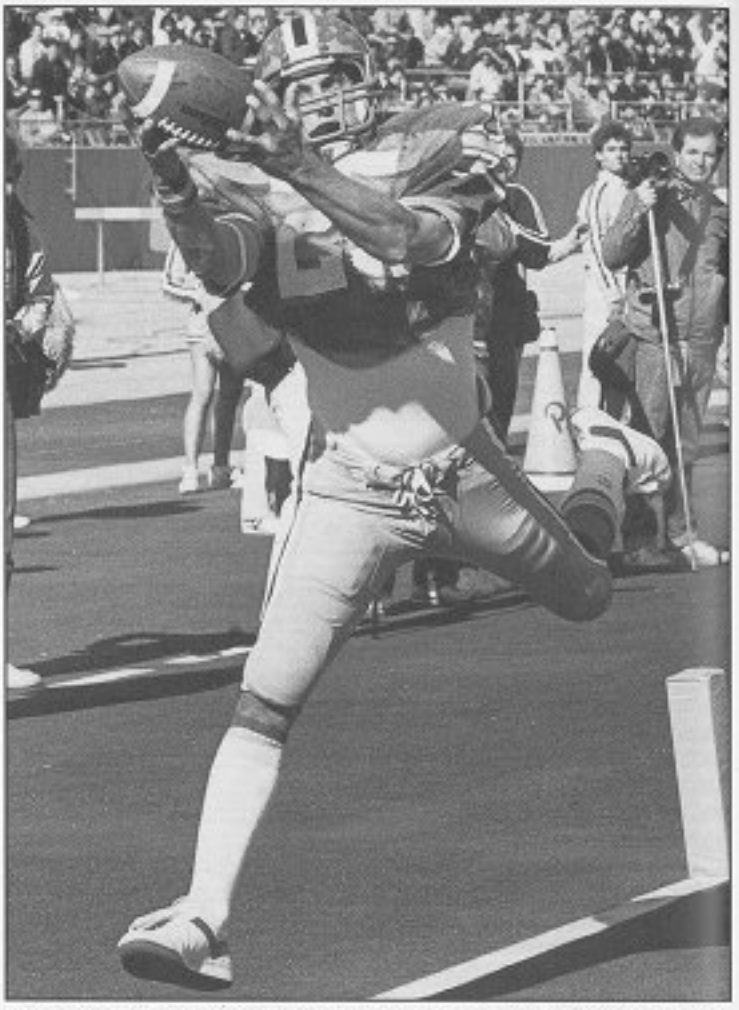


Bob Jury led Pitt in interceptions for two consecutive seasons (1976 and 1977) and was the last Pitt player to have 10 or more interceptions in a season.

Annual Leaders

Scoring

Year	Name	TDs	PATs	FGs	2-Pt.	Points	
1914	Andy Hastings	5	11	5	0	56	
1915	Andy Hastings	11	5	1	0	74	
1916	Andy Hastings	6	10	5	0	61	**
1917	George McLaren	13	1	0	0	79	
1918	George McLaren	6	2	0	0	38	
	Tom Davies	5	8	0	0	38	#
1919	Andy Hastings	8	10	2	0	64	
1920	Tom Davies	10	14	1	0	77	##
1921	Tom Davies	4	9	0	0	33	
1922	W.H. Flanagan	7	0	0	0	42	
1923	Andrew Gustafson	3	0	0	0	18	
1924	Andrew Gustafson	4	0	0	0	24	
1925	Andrew Gustafson	6	6	5	0	51	*
1926	Gibby Welch	10	10	0	0	60	
1927	Allan Booth	10	18	1	0	81	
1928	Josh Williams	7	0	0	0	42	
1929	Toby Uansa	10	1	0	0	61	**
1930	Franklin Hood	8	0	0	0	48	
1931	Warren Heller	11	0	0	0	66	
1932	Warren Heller	8	0	0	0	48	
1933	Henry Weisenbaugh	5	1	0	0	31	**
1934	Isadore Weinstock	9	9	0	0	63	
1935	Frank Patrick	9	7	4	0	73	
1936	Marshall Goldberg	6	0	0	0	36	***
1937	Frank Patrick	7	1	0	0	43	
1938	Dick Cassiano	11	0	0	0	66	
1939	Dick Cassiano	6	0	0	0	36	
1940	Edgar Jones	4	1-2	0	0	25	
1941	Edgar Jones	6	1-1	0	0	37	****
1942	William Dutton	6	0	0	0	36	
1943	Jack Itzel	5	0-1	0	0	30	
1944	Thomas Kalminar	5	0	0	0	30	
1945	Michael Roussos	5	5-8	0	0	35	
1946	Lou Cecconi	4	4-8	0	0	28	***
1947	Carl DePasqua	1	0	0	0	6	
	Bill McPeak	1	0	0	0	6	
	Anthony DiMatteo	1	0	0	0	6	
	Lou Cecconi	1	0	0	0	6	
1948	Robert Becker	5	0	0	0	30	
1949	Jimmy Joe Robinson	7	0	0	0	42	
1950	Nick DeRosa	3	0	0	0	18	
1951	Louis Cimarolli	6	0	0	0	36	
	Chris Warriner	6	0	0	0	36	
1952	Bobby Epps	6	0	0	0	36	
1953	Bobby Epps	4	0	0	0	24	
1954	Henry Ford	3	0	0	0	18	
1955	Joe Walton	8	0	0	0	48	
1956	Corny Salvaterra	6	1-1	0	0	37	
	Joe Walton	6	1-1	0	0	37	
1957	Dick Scherer	5	0	0	0	30	###
1958	Dick Haley	7	0	0	0	42	
1959	Fred Cox	5	8-10	1-2	0	41	
1960	Fred Cox	3	15-16	3-8	0	42	
1961	Rick Leeson	4	0	0	0	24	
1962	Paul Martha	7	0	0	1	44	**
1963	Fred Mazurek	7	0	0	2	46	
1964	Barry McKnight	8	0	0	1	50	
1965	Eric Crabtree	7	0	0	1	44	
1966	Bob Longo	5	0	0	0	30	
1967	Joe McCain	2	5-6	0	0	17	
1968	Harry Orszulak	4	0	0	0	24	
1969	Dennis Ferris	7	0	0	0	42	
1970	Dennis Ferris	9	0	0	0	54	
1971	Steve Moyer	5	0	0	1	32	
1972	Stan Ostrowski	4	0	0	1	26	
1973	Tony Dorsett	13	0	0	0	78	
1974	Tony Dorsett	11	0	0	0	66	
1975	Tony Dorsett	16	0	0	0	96	
1976	Tony Dorsett	23	0	0	1	140	
1977	Elliott Walker	15	0	0	0	90	
1978	Fred Jacobs	9	0	0	0	54	
1979	Mark Schubert	0	20-31	14-19	0	62	



Bill Wallace scored eight touchdowns in each of two seasons (1983-84) for the Panthers.

Year	Name	TDs	PATs	FGs	2-Pt.	Points
1980	David Trout	0	39-42	15-20	0	84
1981	Julius Dawkins	16	0	0	0	96
1982	Eric Schubert	0	36-37	11-21	0	69
1983	Bill Wallace	8	0	0	0	48
1984	Bill Wallace	8	0	0	0	48
1985	Charles Gladman	6	0	0	0	36
1986	Jeff VanHorne	0	29-29	11-17	0	62
1987	Craig Heyward	13	0	0	0	78
1988	Scott Kaplan	0	23-23	10-15	0	53
1989	Ed Frazier	0	35-36	14-20	0	77
1990	Scott Kaplan	0	21-21	9-13	1	50
1991	Scott Kaplan	0	22-25	11-20	0	55
1992	Sean Conley	0	27-31	16-19	0	75
1993	Curtis Martin	8	0	0	2	52
1994	David Merrick	0	20-23	14-21	0	62
1995	**Chris Ferencik**	**0**	**23-24**	**12-13**	**0**	**59**
1996	**Dwayne Schulters**	**0**	**0-0**	**0-0**	**0**	**60**

#	Includes touchdowns on kickoff, punt and interception returns
##	includes two touchdowns on punt returns
###	includes one touchdown on blocked punt
*	includes one touchdown on fumble return
**	includes one touchdown on interception return
***	includes one touchdown on kickoff return
****	includes two touchdowns on interception returns

Bold indicates active players

All-Time Pittsburgh Coaching Records

Name	Year(s)	W	L	T	Pct.
No Coach	1890-92	7	9	0	.438
Anson F. Harrold	1893	1	4	0	.200
No Coach	1894	1	1	0	.500
J.P. Linn	1895	1	6	0	.143
George W. Hoskins	1896	3	6	0	.333
Thomas Gawthrop Trenchard	1897	1	3	0	.250
Dr. Fred A. Robinson	1898-99	8	3	2	.692
Dr. M. Roy Jackson	1900	5	4	0	.556
Wilbur D. Hockensmith	1901	7	2	1	.750
Frederick Joseph Crolius	1902	5	6	1	.458
Arthur St. Ledger Mosse	1903-05	20	10	1	.661
E.R. Wingard	1906	6	4	0	.600
John A. Moorhead	1907	8	2	0	.800
Joseph H. Thompson	1908-12	30	14	2	.674
Joseph M. Duff, Jr.	1913-14	14	3	1	.806
Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner	1915-23	60	11	4	.800
Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland	1924-38	111	20	12	.776
Charles W. Bowser	1939-42	14	20	1	.414
Clark D. Shaughnessy	1943-45	10	17	0	.370
Wesley E. Fesler	1946	3	5	1	.389
Walter S. Milligan	1947-49	13	14	0	.481
Leonard J. Casanova	1950	1	8	0	.111
Tom Hamilton	1951,1954	7	9	0	.438
Lowell P. "Red" Dawson	1952-54	9	11	1	.452
John P. Michelosen	1955-65	56	49	7	.531
David R. Hart	1966-68	3	27	0	.100
Carl A. DePasqua	1969-72	13	29	0	.310
John Majors	1973-76	33	13	1	.713
Jackie Sherrill	1977-81	50	9	1	.833
Serafino "Foge" Fazio	1982-85	25	18	3	.576
Mike Gottfried	1986-89	26	17	2	.578
Paul Hackett	1989-92	13	20	1	.382
Sal Sunseri	1992	0	1	0	.000
John Majors	1993-96	12	32	0	.247
Totals		**576**	**408**	**42**	**.559**

Top 5 All-Time Coaching Records and Winning Percentages*

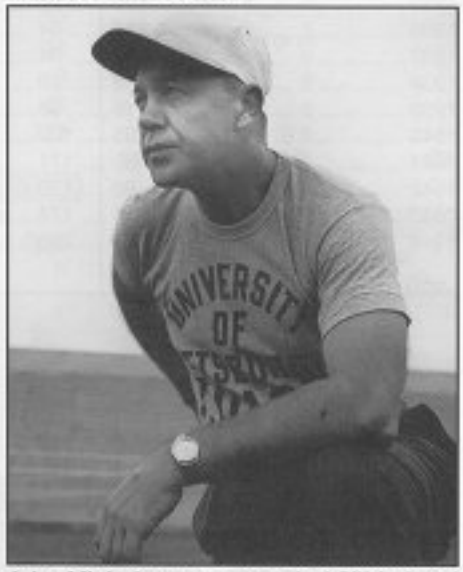
Years	Name	W	L	T	Pct.
1977-1981	Jackie Sherrill	50	9	1	.833
1915-1923	Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner	60	11	4	.800
1924-1938	Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland	111	20	12	.776
1908-1912	Joseph H. Thompson	30	14	2	.674
1986-1989	Mike Gottfried	26	17	2	.578

*must have served at least four seasons

Pitt's 1976 coaching staff, with Head Coach John Majors kneeling in front. From left to right: Bob Matey, Harry Jones, Bobby Roper, Joe Avezzano, Joe Madden, Jim Dyar, Bill Cox, and Larry Holton.

Jock Sutherland has the most victories by any Pitt football coach.

Jackie Sherrill's .833 winning percentage is the best in Pitt history.



John Michelosen represented Pitt in bowl games as both a player and as a head coach.

Pittsburgh Football Year-By-Year

Year	W	L	T	Pts.	Opp.	Coach
1890	1	2	0	10	74	None
1891	2	5	0	74	98	None
1892	4	2	0	38	46	None
1893	1	4	0	14	70	Anson F. Harrold
1894	1	1	0	6	44	None
1895	1	6	0	30	136	J.P. Linn
1896	3	6	0	42	69	George W. Hoskins
1897	1	3	0	13	91	Thomas G. Trenchard
1898	5	2	1	74	33	Dr. Fred Robinson
1899	3	1	1	43	23	Dr. Fred Robinson
1900	5	4	0	110	33	Dr. M. Roy Jackson
1901	7	2	1	96	53	Wilbur D. Hockensmith
1902	5	6	1	128	129	Frederick J. Crolius
1903	0	8	1	20	262	Arthur St. L. Mosse
1904	10	0	0	407	5	Arthur St. L. Mosse
1905	10	2	0	405	36	Arthur St. L. Mosse
1906	6	4	0	229	55	E. R. Wingard
1907	8	2	0	147	27	John A. Moorhead
1908	8	3	0	140	36	Joseph H. Thompson
1909	6	2	1	94	26	Joseph H. Thompson
1910	9	0	0	282	0	Joseph H. Thompson
1911	4	3	1	72	29	Joseph H. Thompson
1912	3	6	0	113	121	Joseph H. Thompson
1913	6	2	1	165	46	Joseph M. Duff
1914	8	1	0	207	38	Joseph M. Duff
1915	8	0	0	207	38	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1916	8	0	0	255	25	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1917	10	0	0	260	21	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1918	4	1	0	140	16	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1919	6	2	1	118	66	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1920	6	0	2	146	44	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1921	5	3	1	133	51	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1922	8	2	0	187	43	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1923	5	4	0	83	45	Glenn S. "Pop" Warner
1924	5	3	1	98	43	Dr John B. Sutherland
1925	8	1	0	151	34	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1926	5	2	2	170	73	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1927	8	1	1	289	27	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1928	6	2	1	177	15	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1929	9	1	0	291	90	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1930	6	2	1	186	69	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1931	8	1	0	280	37	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1932	8	1	2	182	60	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1933	8	1	0	147	13	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1934	8	1	0	205	44	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1935	7	1	2	135	28	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1936	8	1	1	214	34	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1937	9	0	1	203	34	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1938	8	2	0	213	59	Dr. John B. Sutherland
1939	5	4	0	119	98	Charles W. Bowser
1940	3	4	1	85	102	Charles W. Bowser
1941	3	6	0	82	171	Charles W. Bowser
1942	3	6	0	90	190	Charles W. Bowser
1943	3	5	0	114	174	Clark D. Shaughnessy
1944	4	5	0	147	293	Clark D. Shaughnessy

Glenn "Pop" Warner

Tom Hamilton

John Michelosen

Joseph H. Thompson

Foge Fazio

Mike Gottfried

Year	W	L	T	Pts.	Opp.	Coach
1945	3	7	0	87	141	Clark D. Shaughnessy
1946	3	5	1	88	136	Wesley E. Fesler
1947	1	8	0	26	267	Walter S. Milligan
1948	6	3	0	119	154	Walter S. Milligan
1949	6	3	0	156	154	Walter S. Milligan
1950	1	8	0	99	204	Leonard J. Casanova
1951	3	7	0	156	215	Tom Hamilton
1952	6	3	0	187	156	Lowell P. Dawson
1953	3	5	1	143	138	Lowell P. Dawson
1954	4	5	0	83	188	Lowell P. Dawson/Tom Hamilton (Hamilton replaced Dawson after three games)
1955	7	4	0	181	122	John Michelosen
1956	7	3	1	156	119	John Michelosen
1957	4	6	0	134	157	John Michelosen
1958	5	4	1	163	138	John Michelosen
1959	6	4	0	147	164	John Michelosen
1960	4	3	3	134	77	John Michelosen
1961	3	7	0	145	209	John Michelosen
1962	5	5	0	142	185	John Michelosen
1963	9	1	0	236	130	John Michelosen
1964	3	5	2	152	154	John Michelosen
1965	3	7	0	173	311	John Michelosen
1966	1	9	0	98	326	David R. Hart
1967	1	9	0	73	295	David R. Hart
1968	1	9	0	99	393	David R. Hart
1969	4	6	0	166	287	Carl A. DePasqua
1970	5	5	0	179	245	Carl A. DePasqua
1971	3	8	0	216	388	Carl A. DePasqua
1972	1	10	0	193	350	Carl A. DePasqua
1973	6	5	1	225	211	Johnny Majors
1974	7	4	0	227	202	Johnny Majors
1975	8	4	0	324	161	Johnny Majors
1976	12	0	0	381	133	Johnny Majors
1977	9	2	1	428	134	Jackie Sherrill
1978	8	4	0	263	187	Jackie Sherrill
1979	11	1	0	291	116	Jackie Sherrill
1980	11	1	0	380	130	Jackie Sherrill
1981	11	1	0	385	160	Jackie Sherrill
1982	9	3	0	300	139	Serafino "Foge" Fazio
1983	8	3	1	288	165	Serafino "Foge" Fazio
1984	3	7	1	178	247	Serafino "Foge" Fazio
1985	5	5	1	202	187	Serafino "Foge" Fazio
1986	5	5	1	253	209	Mike Gottfried
1987	8	4	0	230	146	Mike Gottfried
1988	6	5	0	300	183	Mike Gottfried
1989	8	3	1	333	268	Mike Gottfried/Paul Hackett (Hackett coached John Hancock Bowl)
1990	3	7	1	240	293	Paul Hackett
1991	6	5	0	244	241	Paul Hackett
1992	3	9	0	289	429	Paul Hackett/ Sal Sunseri (Sunseri coached Pitt's final game versus Hawaii)
1993	3	8	0	168	371	John Majors
1994	3	8	0	246	307	John Majors
1995	2	9	0	217	329	John Majors
1996	4	7	0	214	430	John Majors

Game-By-Game (1890-1996)

1890

No Coach

Pitt		Opp.
0	Allegheny AA	38
0	W.&J.	32
10	Geneva	4
10	**Record: 1-2**	**74**

1891

No Coach

Pitt		Opp.
6	W.&J.	40
6	Geneva	0
54	W. Penn. Med.	0
4	Geneva	12
0	EE Gymnastics	24
4	Geneva	6
0	Ind. Teachers	16
74	**Record: 2-5**	**98**

1892

No Coach

Pitt		Opp.
0	EE Gymnastics	16
6	Geneva	4
12	Kiski	0
8	Ind. Teachers	6
6	Greensburg AA	2
6	W.&J.	18
38	**Record: 4-2**	**46**

1893

Coach: Anson F. Harrold

Pitt		Opp.
0	Pittsburgh AC	10
4	Allegheny AA	0
10	Pittsburgh AC	16
0	@ Penn State*	32
0	W.&J.	12
14	**Record: 1-4**	**70**

*Neutral Game Site
Bellefonte, PA

1894

No Coach

Pitt		Opp.
6	Sewickley AC	0
0	Ind. Teachers	44
6	**Record: 1-1**	**44**

1895

Coach: J.P. Linn

Pitt		Opp.
0	D.C.&A.C.	36
2	Greensburg AA	42
22	Emerald AA	0
0	W. Virginia	8
0	W.&J.	28
6	Carnegie AC	10
0	Wheeling Tigers	12
30	**Record: 1-6**	**136**

1896

Coach: George W. Hoskins

Pitt		Opp.
4	Pittsburgh AC	6
4	@ Penn State	10
0	Latrobe	4
0	D.C.&A.C.	26
4	Western Theol. Sem.	0
*6	@ Geneva	0
18	Sewickley AA	0
6	Wheeling Tigers	11
0	Grove City	12
42	**Record: 3-6**	**69**

*Forfeit

1897

Coach: Thomas Gawthrop Trenchard

Pitt		Opp.
8	Pittsburgh HS	0
0	Latrobe	30
0	Greensburg AA	47
5	Waynesburg	14
13	**Record: 1-3**	**91**

1898

Coach: Dr. Fred Robinson

Pitt		Opp.
6	Duquesne AC	5
24	Pittsburgh Acad.	5
5	Westminster	0
0	West Virginia	5
10	Grove City	12
17	Natrona AC	0
6	New Castle Terrors	6
6	Cal. Teachers	0
74	**Record: 5-2-1**	**33**

1899

Coach: Dr. Fred Robinson

Pitt		Opp.
11	Westminster	11
16	Grove City	0
11	Swissvale AC	0
5	Bethany	0
0	J.F. Lalus AC	12
43	**Record: 3-1-1**	**23**

1900

Coach: Dr. M. Roy Jackson

Pitt		Opp.
0	Penn State*	12
5	West Virginia	6
0	D.C.&A.C.	5
12	Grove City	0
12	Cal. Teachers	0
17	Akron (Buchtel)	0
47	Thiel	0
17	Westminster	5
0	Shady Side Acad.	5
110	**Record: 5-4**	**33**

*Neutral Game Site
Bellefonte, PA

1901

Coach: Wilbur D. Hockensmith

Pitt		Opp.
0	Penn State*	33
12	West Virginia	0
0	Ind. Teachers	0
11	Allegheny	0
18	Duquesne U. (Pgh. College H. Ch.)	0
15	Cal. Teachers	0
12	Geneva	5
17	Thiel	0
11	Westminster	0
0	Allegheny	15
96	**Record: 7-2-1**	**53**

*Neutral Game Site
Bellefonte, PA

1902

Coach: Frederick J. Crolius

Pitt		Opp.
5	Allegheny AA	15
24	Bucknell	0
0	@ Penn State	27
16	Grove City	0
6	Westminster	6
6	West Virginia	23
2	Geneva	22
34	Ohio U.	0
0	Allegheny	6
0	Geneva	30
29	Allegheny AC	0
6	Mt. Union	0
128	**Record: 5-6-1**	**129**

1903

Coach: Arthur St. L. Mosse

Pitt		Opp.
6	West Virginia	24
0	Geneva	57
6	Manchester AC	11
2	Bellevue Outing Club	6
0	Penn State	59
0	Geneva	32
0	East End AA	28
0	Grove City	0
6	Marietta	45
20	**Record: 0-8-1**	**262**

1904

Coach: Arthur St. L. Mosse

Pitt		Opp.
12	Grove City	0
67	Mt. Union	0
38	Westminster	0
30	Geneva	0
40	Susquehanna	0
40	California N.	0
83	Waynesburg	0
53	West Virginia	0
21	Bethany	0
23	Penn State	5
407	**Record: 10-0**	**5**

1905

Coach: Arthur St. L. Mosse

Pitt		Opp.
11	Westminster	0
71	California N.	0
0	@ Cornell	30
24	Dickinson	0
57	Mt. Union	0
48	Bethany	0
53	F.&M.	0
11	W.&J.	0
67	Butler Y.	0
51	Ohio Med. U.	0
12	@ Geneva	0
0	Penn State	6
405	**Record: 10-2**	**36**

1906

Coach: E.R. Wingard

Pitt		Opp.
17	Westminster	0
66	Hiram	0
74	Allegheny	0
0	Carlisle	22
31	Carnegie Tech	0
0	@ Cornell	23
17	West Virginia	0
0	W.&J.	4
24	Grove City	0
0	Penn State	6
229	**Record: 6-4**	**55**

1907

Coach: John A. Moorhead

Pitt		Opp.
6	Marietta	0
6	Carnegie Tech	0
33	Muskingum	0
12	Bucknell	0
5	@ Cornell	18
16	Ohio Northern	0
10	West Virginia	0
2	W.&J.	9
51	Wooster	0
6	Penn State	0
147	**Record: 8-2**	**27**

1908

Coach: Joseph H. Thompson

Pitt		Opp.
26	Mt. Union	4
27	Bethany	0
7	Marietta	0
22	Bucknell	0
13	@ St. Louis	0
22	Carnegie Tech	0
11	West Virginia	0
0	Carlisle	6
6	Gettysburg	0
6	Penn State	12
0	W.&J.	14
140	**Record: 8-3**	**36**

Game-By-Game

Pitt's football team, circa 1889, pictured on the steps of the athletic dormitory.

1909

Coach: Joseph H. Thompson

Pitt		Opp.
16	Ohio Northern	0
12	Marietta	0
18	Bucknell	6
14	Carlisle	3
0	Notre Dame	6
0	@ West Virginia	0
17	W.&J.	3
17	Mt. Union	3
0	Penn State	5
94	**Record: 6-2-1**	**26**

1910

Coach: Joseph H. Thompson

Pitt		Opp.
36	Ohio Northern	0
18	Westminster*	0
42	Waynesburg	0
17	Georgetown	0
71	Ohio Med. U.	0
38	West Virginia	0
14	W.&J.	0
35	Carnegie Tech	0
11	Penn State	0
282	**Record: 9-0**	**0**

*Neutral Site Game
D.C.&A.C. Park,
Wilkinsburg

1911

Coach: Joseph H. Thompson

Pitt		Opp.
23	Westminster	0
22	Ohio Northern	0
0	Carlisle	17
3	@ Cornell	9
0	Notre Dame	0
12	Villanova	0
12	W.&J.	0
0	Penn State	3
72	**Record: 4-3-1**	**29**

1912

Coach: Joseph H.Thompson

Pitt		Opp.
22	Ohio Northern	0
13	Westminster	3
0	Bucknell	6
8	Carlisle	45
6	@ Navy	13
0	Notre Dame	3
64	Maryland	0
0	W.&J.	13
0	Penn State	38
113	**Record: 3-6**	**121**

1913

Coach: Joseph M. Duff

Pitt		Opp.
67	Ohio Northern	0
0	@ Navy	0
40	West Virginia	0
12	Carlisle	6
20	@ Cornell	7
0	Bucknell	9
13	Lafayette	0
6	W.&J.	18
7	Penn State	6
165	**Record: 6-2-1**	**46**

1914

Coach: Joseph M. Duff

Pitt		Opp.
9	@ Cornell	3
21	@ Westminster	10
13	@ Navy	6
10	Carlisle	3
21	Georgetown	0
96	Dickinson	0
10	W.&J.	13
14	Carnegie Tech	0
13	Penn State	3
207	**Record: 8-1**	**38**

1915

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
10/2	Westminster	32-0	W
10/9	@ Navy	47-12	W
10/16	Carlisle	45-0	W
10/23	@ Pennsylvania	14-7	W
10/30	Allegheny	42-7	W
11/6	W.&J.	19-0	W
11/13	Carnegie Tech	28-0	W
11/25	Penn State	20-0	W

Record: 8-0 Total Points: 247-26

1916

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
10/7	Westminster	57-0	W
10/14	@ Navy	20-19	W
10/21	@ Syracuse	30-0	W
10/28	Pennsylvania	20-0	W
11/4	Allegheny	46-0	W
11/11	W.&J.	37-0	W
11/18	Carnegie Tech	14-6	W
11/30	Penn State	31-0	W

Record: 8-0 Total Points: 255-25

1917

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/29	@ West Virginia	14-9	W
10/6	Bethany	40-0	W
10/13	Lehigh	41-0	W
10/20	Syracuse	28-0	W
10/27	Pennsylvania	14-6	W
11/3	Westminster	25-0	W
11/10	W.&J.	13-10	W
11/17	Carnegie Tech	27-0	W
11/29	Penn State	28-6	W
12/1	Camp Lee All-Stars	30-0	W

Record: 10-0 Total Points: 260-31

1918

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
11/9	W.&J.	34-0	W
11/16	Pennsylvania	37-0	W
11/23	Georgia Tech	32-0	W
11/28	Penn State	26-6	W
11/30	@ Cleveland Naval Reserves	10-9	L

Record: 4-1 Total Points: 140-16

1919

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
10/4	@ Geneva	33-0	W
10/11	West Virginia	26-0	W
10/18	@ Syracuse	24-3	L
10/25	Georgia Tech	16-6	W
11/1	@ Lehigh	14-0	W
11/8	W.&J.	7-6	W
11/15	@ Pennsylvania	3-3	T
11/22	Carnegie Tech	17-7	W
11/27	Penn State	20-0	L

Record: 6-2-1 Total Points: 119-66

1920

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
10/2	@ Geneva	47-0	W
10/9	West Virginia	34-13	W
10/16	@ Syracuse	7-7	T
10/23	Georgia Tech	10-3	W
10/30	Lafayette	14-0	W
11/6	@ Pennsylvania	27-21	W
11/13	W.&J.	7-0	W
11/25	Penn State	0-0	T

Record: 6-0-2 Total Points: 146-44

*Dates were unavailable from 1890-1914 seasons

Game-By-Game

1921

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/24	@ Geneva	28-0	W
10/1	@ Lafayette	6-0	L
10/8	West Virginia	21-13	W
10/15	Cincinnati	21-14	W
10/22	Syracuse	35-0	W
10/29	@ Pennsylvania	28-0	W
11/5	Nebraska	10-0	L
11/12	W.&J.	7-0	L
11/24	Penn State	0-0	T

Record: 5-3-1 Total Points: 133-50

1922

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/30	@ Cincinnati	38-0	W
10/7	Lafayette	7-0	L
10/14	West Virginia	9-6	L
10/21	@ Syracuse	21-14	W
10/28	Bucknell	7-0	W
11/4	Geneva	62-0	W
11/11	@ Pennsylvania	7-6	W
11/18	W.&J.	19-0	W
11/30	Penn State	14-0	W
12/30	@ Stanford	16-7	W

Record: 8-2 Total Points: 190-43

1923

Coach: Glenn Scobey "Pop" Warner

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/29	@ Bucknell	21-0	W
10/6	Lafayette	7-0	W
10/13	West Virginia	13-7	L
10/20	@ Syracuse*	3-0	L
10/27	Carnegie Tech	7-2	L
11/3	@ Pennsylvania	6-0	L
11/10	Grove City	13-7	W
11/17	W.&J.	13-6	W
11/29	Penn State	20-3	W

Record: 5-4 Total Points: 83-45

*Played at Yankee Stadium

1924

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/27	Grove City	14-0	W
10/4	Lafayette	10-0	L
10/11	West Virginia	14-7	W
10/18	@ Johns Hopkins	26-0	W
10/25	Carnegie Tech	6-0	L
11/1	@ Syracuse	7-7	T
11/8	Geneva	13-0	W
11/15	W.&J.	10-0	L
11/27	Penn State	24-3	W

Record: 5-3-1 Total Points: 98-43

1925

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/26	W.&L.	26-0	W
10/3	Lafayette	20-9	L
10/10	West Virginia	15-7	W
10/17	Gettysburg	13-0	W
10/24	Carnegie Tech	12-0	W
10/31	Johns Hopkins	31-0	W
11/7	W.&J.	6-0	W
11/14	@ Pennsylvania	14-0	W
11/26	Penn State	23-7	W

Record: 8-1 Total Points: 151-34

1926

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/25	Allegheny	9-7	W
10/2	Georgetown	6-6	T
10/9	Lafayette	17-7	L
10/16	Colgate	19-16	W
10/23	Carnegie Tech	4-0	L
10/30	Westminster	88-0	W
11/6	West Virginia	17-7	W
11/13	W.&J.	0-0	T
10/25	Penn State	24-6	W

Record: 5-2-2 Total Points: 170-73

1927

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/24	Thiel	42-0	W
10/1	Grove City	33-0	W
10/8	West Virginia	40-0	W
10/15	@ Drake	32-0	W
10/22	Carnegie Tech	23-7	W
10/29	Allegheny	62-0	W
11/5	W.&J.	0-0	T
11/12	Nebraska	21-13	W
11/24	Penn State	30-0	W
1/2	Stanford*	7-6	L

Record: 8-1-1 Total Points: 289-27

*Rose Bowl

1928

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/29	Thiel	20-0	W
10/6	Bethany	53-0	W
10/13	West Virginia	9-6	L
10/20	Allegheny	29-0	W
10/27	Carnegie Tech	6-0	L
11/3	Syracuse	18-0	W
11/10	W.&J.	25-0	W
11/17	@ Nebraska	0-0	T
11/29	Penn State	26-0	W

Record: 6-2-1 Total Points: 177-15

1929

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/28	Waynesburg	53-0	W
10/5	@ Duke	52-7	W
10/12	West Virginia	27-7	W
10/19	@ Nebraska	12-7	W
10/26	@ Allegheny	40-0	W
11/2	Ohio State	18-2	W
11/9	W.&J.	21-0	W
11/16	Carnegie Tech	34-13	W
11/28	Penn State	20-7	W
1/1	U.S.C.*	47-14	L

Record: 9-1 Total Points: 291-90

*Rose Bowl

1930

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/27	Waynesburg	52-0	W
10/4	@ West Virginia	16-0	W
10/11	@ Western Reserve	52-0	W
10/18	@ Syracuse	14-0	W
10/25	Notre Dame	35-19	L
11/1	@ Nebraska	0-0	T
11/8	Carnegie Tech	7-6	W
11/15	@ Ohio State	16-7	L
11/26	Penn State	19-12	W

Record: 6-2-1 Total Points: 186-69

1931

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/26	Miami	61-0	W
10/3	@ Iowa	20-0	W
10/10	West Virginia	34-0	W
10/17	Western Reserve	32-0	W
10/24	@ Notre Dame	25-12	L
10/31	@ Penn State	41-6	W
11/7	Carnegie Tech	14-6	W
11/14	Army	26-0	W
11/26	Nebraska	40-0	W

Record: 8-1 Total Points: 287-47

1932

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/24	Ohio Northern	47-0	W
10/1	@ West Virginia	40-0	W
10/8	Duquesne	33-0	W
10/15	@ Army	18-13	W
10/22	Ohio State	0-0	T
10/29	Notre Dame	12-0	W
11/5	@ Pennsylvania	19-12	W
11/12	@ Nebraska	0-0	T
11/19	Carnegie Tech	6-0	W
11/26	Stanford	7-0	W
1/1	U.S.C.*	35-0	L

Record: 8-1-2 Total Points: 182-60

*Rose Bowl

1933

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/30	W.&J.	9-0	W
10/7	@ West Virginia	21-0	W
10/14	Navy	34-6	W
10/21	@ Minnesota	7-3	L
10/28	@ Notre Dame	14-0	W
11/4	Centre	37-0	W
11/11	Duquesne	7-0	W
11/18	Nebraska	6-0	W
11/30	Carnegie Tech	16-0	W

Record: 8-1 Total Points: 147-13

1934

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/29	W.&J.	26-6	W
10/6	@ West Virginia	27-6	W
10/13	U.S.C.	20-6	W
10/20	Minnesota	13-7	L
10/27	@ Westminster	30-0	W
11/3	Notre Dame	19-0	W
11/10	@ Nebraska	25-6	W
11/17	@ Navy	31-7	W
11/29	Carnegie Tech	20-0	W

Record: 8-1 Total Points: 205-44

1935

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/28	Waynesburg	14-0	W
10/5	@ W.&J.	35-0	W
10/12	West Virginia	24-6	W
10/19	@ Notre Dame	9-6	L
10/26	Penn State	9-0	W
11/2	@ Fordham	0-0	T
11/9	Army	29-6	W
11/16	Nebraska	6-0	W
11/28	Carnegie Tech	0-0	T
12/14	@ U.S.C.	12-7	W

Record: 7-1-2 Total Points: 135-28

1936

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/26	Ohio Wesleyan	53-0	W
10/3	West Virginia	34-0	W
10/10	@ Ohio State	6-0	W
10/17	Duquesne	7-0	L
10/24	Notre Dame	26-0	W
10/31	@ Fordham	0-0	T
11/7	Penn State	24-7	W
11/14	@ Nebraska	19-6	W
11/26	Carnegie Tech	31-14	W
1/1	Washington*	21-0	W

Record: 8-1-1 Total Points: 214-34

*Rose Bowl

Game-By-Game

1937

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/24	Ohio Wesleyan	59-0	W
10/2	@ West Virginia	20-0	W
10/9	Duquesne	6-0	W
10/16	@ Fordham	0-0	T
10/23	Wisconsin	21-0	W
10/30	Carnegie Tech	25-14	W
11/6	@ Notre Dame	21-6	W
11/13	Nebraska	13-7	W
11/20	Penn State	28-7	W
11/27	@ Duke	10-0	W

Record: 9-0-1 Total Points: 203-34

1938

Coach: Dr. John B. "Jock" Sutherland

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/24	West Virginia	19-0	W
10/1	@ Temple	28-6	W
10/8	Duquesne	27-0	W
10/15	@ Wisconsin	26-6	W
10/22	S.M.U	34-7	W
10/29	Fordham	24-13	W
11/5	Carnegie Tech	20-10	L
11/12	@ Nebraska	19-0	W
11/19	Penn State	26-0	W
11/26	@ Duke	7-0	L

Record: 8-2 Total Points: 213-59

1939

Coach: Charles W. Bowser

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/30	@ Washington	27-6	W
10/7	West Virginia	20-0	W
10/14	Duke	14-13	W
10/21	Duquesne	21-13	L
10/28	@ Fordham	27-13	L
11/4	@ Temple	13-7	W
11/11	Carnegie Tech	6-0	W
11/18	Nebraska	14-13	L
11/25	@ Penn State	10-0	L

Record: 5-4 Total Points: 119-98

1940

Coach: Charles W. Bowser

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/28	@ Ohio State	30-7	L
10/5	Missouri	19-13	W
10/12	S.M.U	7-7	T
10/19	@ Fordham	24-12	L
11/9	Carnegie Tech	6-0	W
11/16	Nebraska	9-7	L
11/23	Penn State	20-7	W
11/30	@ Duke	12-7	L

Record: 3-4-1 Total Points: 85-102

1941

Coach: Charles W. Bowser

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
10/4	Purdue	6-0	L
10/11	@ Michigan	40-0	L
10/18	@ Minnesota	39-0	L
10/25	Duke	27-7	L
11/1	Ohio State	21-14	L
11/8	Fordham	13-0	W
11/15	@ Nebraska	14-7	W
11/22	Penn State	31-7	L
11/29	Carnegie Tech	27-0	W

Record: 3-6 Total Points: 82-171

1942

Coach: Charles W. Bowser

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/26	@ Minnesota	50-7	L
10/3	S.M.U.	20-7	W
10/10	@ Great Lakes	7-6	L
10/17	Indiana	19-7	L
10/24	Duke	28-0	L
10/31	Carnegie Tech	19-6	W
11/7	@ Ohio State	59-19	L
11/14	Nebraska	6-0	W
11/21	@ Penn State	14-6	L

Record: 3-6 Total Points: 90-190

1943

Coach: Clark D. Shaughnessy

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/25	Notre Dame	41-0	L
10/2	@ Great Lakes	40-0	L
10/9	West Virginia	20-0	W
10/16	@ Illinois	33-25	L
10/23	Bethany	18-0	W
10/30	Carnegie Tech	45-0	W
11/6	Ohio State	46-6	L
11/20	Penn State	14-0	L

Record: 3-5 Total Points: 114-174

1944

Coach: Clark D. Shaughnessy

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/23	West Virginia	26-13	W
9/30	Notre Dame	58-0	L
10/7	Bethany	50-13	W
10/14	@ Army	69-7	L
10/21	Illinois	39-5	L
NA	@ Chatham Field	26-0	W
11/11	@ Ohio State	54-19	L
11/18	@ Indiana	47-0	L
11/25	Penn State	14-0	W

Record: 4-5 Total Points: 147-293

Four Panther players from the late 1930s, from left to right: Ben Kish, Steve Petro, Frank Kristufek and Dick Cassiano.

1945

Coach: Clark D. Shaughnessy

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/22	@ Illinois	23-6	L
9/29	West Virginia	20-0	W
10/6	Bucknell	38-0	W
10/13	Michigan State	12-7	L
10/20	Notre Dame	39-9	L
10/27	Temple	6-0	L
11/3	@ Purdue	28-0	L
11/10	Ohio State	14-0	L
11/17	Indiana	19-0	L
11/24	Penn State	7-0	W

Record: 3-7 Total Points: 87-141

1946

Coach: Wesley E. Fesler

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/21	Illinois	33-7	L
9/28	West Virginia	33-7	W
10/5	@ Notre Dame	33-0	L
10/12	Temple	0-0	T
10/19	Marquette	7-6	W
10/26	Purdue	10-8	L
11/2	@ Indiana	20-6	L
11/9	@ Ohio State	20-13	L
11/23	Penn State	14-7	W

Record: 3-5-1 Total Points: 88-136

1947

Coach: Walter S. Milligan

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/27	@ Illinois	14-0	L
10/4	Notre Dame	40-6	L
10/11	@ Michigan	69-0	L
10/18	@ Indiana	41-6	L
10/25	Ohio State	12-0	W
11/1	@ Minnesota	29-0	L
11/15	@ Purdue	28-0	L
11/22	Penn State	29-0	L
11/29	West Virginia	17-2	L

Record: 1-8 Total Points: 26-267

1948

Coach: Walter S. Milligan

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/25	S.M.U.	33-14	L
10/2	Notre Dame	40-0	L
10/9	West Virginia	16-6	W
10/16	Marquette	21-7	W
10/23	Indiana	21-14	W
10/30	@ Western Reserve	20-0	W
11/6	@ Ohio State	41-0	L
11/13	@ Purdue	20-13	W
11/20	Penn State	7-0	W

Record: 6-3 Total Points: 119-154

1949

Coach: Walter S. Milligan

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/24	William & Mary	13-7	W
10/1	@ Northwestern	16-7	W
10/8	@ West Virginia	20-7	W
10/15	Miami (Ohio)	35-26	W
10/22	@ Indiana	48-14	L
10/29	@ Pennsylvania	22-21	W
11/5	Ohio State	14-10	L
11/12	Minnesota	24-7	L
11/19	Penn State	19-0	W

Record: 6-3 Total Points: 156-154

1950

Coach: Leonard J. Casanova

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/30	@ Duke	28-14	L
10/7	@Ohio State	41-7	L
10/14	Rice	14-7	L
10/21	@ Northwestern	28-23	L
10/28	Miami	28-0	L
11/4	West Virginia	21-7	W
11/11	@ Notre Dame	18-7	W
11/18	Michigan State	19-0	L
11/25	Penn State	21-20	L

Record: 1-8 Total Points: 99-204

Game-By-Game

Coach Lowell "Red" Dawson (with whistle) and his Pitt staff from the mid-1950s, from left to right: Ernie Hefferle, Walt Cummins, Bob Timmons, Bob Friedlund, Steve Petro and John Michelosen.

1951

Coach: Tom Hamilton

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/29	Duke	19-14	L
10/6	@Indiana	13-6	L
10/13	@Iowa	34-17	L
10/20	Notre Dame	33-0	L
10/27	@Michigan State	53-26	L
11/3	@Rice	21-13	L
11/10	Ohio State	16-14	L
11/17	West Virginia	32-12	W
11/24	Penn State	13-7	W
12/7	@Miami	21-7	W

Record: 3-7 Total Points: 156-215

1952

Coach: Lowell P. "Red" Dawson

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/27	Iowa	26-14	W
10/4	@Oklahoma	49-20	L
10/11	@Notre Dame	22-19	W
10/18	@Army	22-14	W
10/25	West Virginia	16-0	L
11/1	Indiana	28-7	W
11/8	@Ohio State	21-14	W
11/15	N. Carolina St.	48-6	W
11/22	Penn State	17-0	L

Record: 6-3 Total Points:187-156

1953

Coach: Lowell P. "Red" Dawson

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/26	West Virginia	17-7	L
10/3	Oklahoma	7-7	T
10/10	Nebraska	14-6	W
10/17	@Notre Dame	23-14	L
10/24	@Northwestern	27-21	L
10/31	@Minnesota	35-14	L
11/7	@Virginia	26-0	W
11/14	N. Carolina St.	40-6	W
11/21	Penn State	17-0	L

Record: 3-5-1 Total Points: 143-138

1954

Coach: Lowell P. "Red" Dawson
Tom Hamilton(*)

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/24	@Southern Cal.	27-7	L
10/2	Minnesota	46-7	L
10/9	Notre Dame	33-0	L
10/16	Navy	21-19	W
10/23	Northwestern	14-7	W
10/30	@West Virginia	13-10	W
11/6	@Ohio State	26-0	L
11/13	@Nebraska	21-7	W
11/20	Penn State	13-0	L

Record: 4-5 Total Points: 83-188

(*)Hamilton replaced Dawson after three games

1955

Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/17	California	27-7	W
9/24	@Syracuse	22-12	W
10/1	@Oklahoma	26-14	L
10/8	@Navy	21-0	L
10/15	Nebraska	21-7	W
10/22	@Duke	26-7	W
10/29	@Miami	21-7	L
11/5	Virginia	18-7	W
11/12	West Virginia	26-7	W
11/19	@Penn State	20-0	W
1/2	Georgia Tech*	7-0	L

Record: 7-4 181-122

*Sugar Bowl

1956

Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/22	@West Virginia	14-13	W
9/29	Syracuse	14-7	W
10/6	@California	14-0	L
10/20	Duke	27-14	W
10/27	Oregon	14-7	W
11/3	@Minnesota	9-6	L
11/10	Notre Dame	26-13	W
11/17	Army	20-7	W
11/24	Penn State	7-7	T
12/8	@Miami	14-7	W
12/29	Georgia Tech*	21-14	L

Record: 7-3-1 Total Points: 156-119

*Gator Bowl

1957

Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/21	Oklahoma	26-0	L
9/28	@Oregon	6-3	W
10/4	@U.S.C.	20-14	W
10/12	Nebraska	34-0	W
10/19	@Army	29-13	L
10/26	@Notre Dame	13-7	L
11/2	Syracuse	24-21	L
11/9	West Virginia	7-6	L
11/23	Penn State	14-13	W
12/7	@Miami	28-13	L

Record: 4-6 Total Points: 134-157

1958

Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/20	@UCLA	27-6	W
9/27	Holy Cross	17-0	W
10/4	@Minnesota	13-7	W
10/11	@Michigan State	22-8	L
10/18	West Virginia	15-8	W
10/25	Army	14-14	T
11/1	@Syracuse	16-13	L
11/8	Notre Dame	29-26	W
11/15	@Nebraska	14-6	L
11/27	Penn State	25-21	L

Record: 5-4-1 Total Points: 163-138

1959

Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/19	@Marquette	21-15	W
9/25	@U.S.C.	23-0	L
10/3	UCLA	25-21	W
10/10	Duke	12-0	W
10/17	@West Virginia	23-14	L
10/24	Texas Christian	13-3	L
10/31	Syracuse	35-0	L
11/7	@Boston College	22-14	W
11/14	Notre Dame	28-13	W
11/21	Penn State	22-7	W

Record: 6-4 Total Points: 147-164

1960

Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/17	@UCLA	8-7	L
9/24	Michigan State	7-7	T
10/1	@Oklahoma	15-14	L
10/8	Miami	17-6	W
10/15	West Virginia	42-0	W
10/22	@Texas Christian	7-7	T
10/29	@Syracuse	10-0	W
11/5	@Notre Dame	20-13	W
11/12	Army	7-7	T
11/19	Penn State	14-3	L

Record: 4-3-3 Total Points: 134-77

1961

Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/16	@Miami	10-7	W
9/30	Baylor	16-13	L
10/7	@Washington	22-17	L
10/14	West Virginia	20-6	L
10/21	@UCLA	20-6	L
10/28	Navy	28-14	W
11/4	@Syracuse	28-9	L
11/11	Notre Dame	26-20	L
11/18	U.S.C.	10-9	W
11/25	Penn State	47-26	L

Record: 3-7 Total Points: 145-209

1962

Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/15	Miami	23-14	L
9/29	@Baylor	24-14	W
10/6	@California	26-24	W
10/13	West Virginia	15-8	L
10/20	UCLA	8-6	W
10/27	@Navy	32-9	L
11/3	Syracuse	24-6	W
11/10	@Notre Dame	43-22	L
11/17	@Army	7-6	W
11/24	Penn State	16-0	L

Record: 5-5 Total Points: 142-185

Game-By-Game

1963
Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/20	@UCLA	20-0	W
9/28	Washington	13-6	W
10/5	California	35-15	W
10/19	@West Virginia	13-10	W
10/26	@Navy	24-12	L
11/2	Syracuse	35-27	W
11/9	@Notre Dame	27-7	W
11/16	Army	28-0	W
11/23	Penn State	22-21	W
11/30	@Miami	31-20	W

Record: 9-1 Total Points: 236-130

1964
Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/12	@UCLA	17-12	L
9/26	@Oregon	22-13	L
10/3	William & Mary	34-7	W
10/10	West Virginia	14-0	W
10/17	@Miami	20-20	T
10/24	Navy	14-14	T
10/31	@Syracuse	21-6	L
11/7	Notre Dame	15-7	W
11/14	@Army	28-0	W
11/21	@Penn State	28-0	L

Record: 3-5-2 Total Points: 152-154

1965
Coach: John Michelosen

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/18	Oregon	17-15	L
9/25	Oklahoma	13-9	W
10/2	@West Virginia	63-48	L
10/9	@Duke	21-13	L
10/16	@Navy	12-0	L
10/23	Miami	28-14	W
10/30	@Syracuse*	51-13	L
11/6	Notre Dame	69-13	L
11/13	@U.S.C	28-0	L
11/20	Penn State	30-27	W

Record: 3-7 Total Points: 173-311
*at Shea Stadium, N.Y.

1966
Coach: David R. Hart

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/17	@UCLA	14-7	L
9/24	Duke	14-7	L
10/1	@California	30-15	L
10/8	West Virginia	17-14	W
10/15	Navy	24-7	L
10/22	@Army	28-0	L
10/29	@Syracuse	33-0	L
11/5	@Notre Dame	40-0	L
11/11	@Miami	38-14	L
11/19	Penn State	48-24	L

Record: 1-9 Total Points: 98-326

1967
Coach: David R. Hart

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/23	UCLA	40-8	L
9/30	@Illinois	34-6	L
10/7	@West Virginia	15-0	L
10/14	@Wisconsin	13-11	W
10/21	Miami	58-0	L
10/28	Navy	22-21	L
11/4	Syracuse	14-7	L
11/11	Notre Dame	38-0	L
11/18	Army	21-12	L
11/25	@Penn State	42-6	L

Record: 1-9 Total Points: 73-295

1968
Coach: David R. Hart

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/21	@UCLA	63-7	L
9/28	West Virginia	38-15	L
10/5	William & Mary	14-3	W
10/12	@Syracuse	50-17	L
10/19	@Navy	17-16	L
10/26	Air Force	27-14	L
11/1	@Miami	48-0	L
11/9	@Notre Dame	56-7	L
11/16	Army	26-0	L
11/23	Penn State	65-9	L

Record: 1-9 Total Points: 99-393

1969
Coach: Carl A. DePasqua

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/20	@UCLA	42-8	L
9/27	@Oklahoma	37-8	L
10/4	@Duke	14-12	W
10/11	Navy	46-19	W
10/18	Tulane	26-22	L
10/25	@West Virginia	49-18	L
11/1	Syracuse	21-20	W
11/8	Notre Dame	49-7	L
11/15	@Army	15-6	W
11/22	Penn State	27-7	L

Record: 4-6 Total Points: 166-287

1970
Coach: Carl A. DePasqua

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/19	UCLA	24-15	L
9/26	@Baylor	15-10	W
10/3	Kent State	27-6	W
10/10	@Navy	10-8	W
10/17	West Virginia	36-35	W
10/24	Miami	28-17	W
10/31	@Syracuse	43-13	L
11/7	@Notre Dame	46-14	L
11/14	Boston College	21-6	L
11/21	@Penn State	35-15	L

Record: 5-5 Total Points: 179-245

1971
Coach: Carl A. DePasqua

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/11	@UCLA	29-25	W
9/25	Oklahoma	55-29	L
10/2	@West Virginia	20-9	L
10/9	Navy	36-35	W
10/16	@Tulane	33-8	L
10/23	@Boston College	40-22	L
10/30	Syracuse	31-21	W
11/6	Notre Dame	56-7	L
11/13	@Army	17-14	L
11/20	Penn State	55-18	L
11/27	@Florida State	31-13	L

Record: 3-8 Total Points: 216-388

1972
Coach: Carl A. DePasqua

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/9	Florida State	19-7	L
9/16	UCLA	38-28	L
9/23	@Air Force	41-13	L
9/30	Northwestern	27-22	L
10/7	@Tulane	38-6	L
10/14	@Notre Dame	42-16	L
10/21	Boston College	35-20	W
10/28	@Syracuse	10-6	L
11/4	West Virginia	38-20	L
11/11	@Navy	26-13	L
11/25	@Penn State	49-27	L

Record: 1-10 Total Points: 193-350

1973
Coach: Johnny Majors

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/15	@Georgia	7-7	T
9/22	Baylor	20-14	L
9/29	@Northwestern	21-14	W
10/6	Tulane	24-6	L
10/13	@West Virginia	35-7	W
10/20	@Boston College	28-14	W
10/27	Navy	22-17	W
11/3	Syracuse	28-14	W
11/10	Notre Dame	31-10	L
11/17	@Army	34-0	W
11/24	@Penn State	35-13	L
12/21	Arizona State*	28-7	L

Record: 6-5-1 Total Points: 225-211
*Fiesta Bowl

1974
Coach: Johnny Majors

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/14	@Florida State	9-6	W
9/21	@Georgia Tech	27-17	W
9/28	Southern Cal.	16-7	L
10/5	@North Carolina	45-29	L
10/12	West Virginia	31-14	W
10/19	Boston College	35-11	W
10/26	@Navy	13-11	W
11/2	@Syracuse	21-13	W
11/9	Temple	35-24	W
11/16	@Notre Dame	14-10	L
11/23	Penn State*	21-10	L

Record: 7-4 Total Points: 227-202
*Home game at Three Rivers Stadium

Head Coach Carl DePasqua (left) and his top assistant, Lou "Bimbo" Cecconi. Both had been players at Pitt and both also served as assistant coaches together.

Game-By-Game

The 1973 Panthers accept a bid to meet Arizona State in the Fiesta Bowl, Pitt's first bowl appearance since 1956.

1975

Coach: Johnny Majors

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/13	@Georgia	19-9	W
9/20	@Oklahoma	46-10	L
9/27	William & Mary	47-0	W
10/4	Duke	14-0	W
10/11	@Temple	55-6	W
10/18	@Army	52-20	W
10/25	Navy	17-0	L
11/1	@Syracuse	38-0	W
11/8	@West Virginia	17-14	L
11/15	Notre Dame	34-20	W
11/22	Penn State*	7-6	L
12/26	Kansas**	35-19	W

Record: 8-4 Total Points: 324-161

*Home game at Three Rivers Stadium

**Sun Bowl

1976

Unanimous National Champions

Coach: Johnny Majors

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/11	@Notre Dame	31-10	W
9/18	@Georgia Tech	42-14	W
9/25	Temple	21-7	W
10/2	@Duke	44-31	W
10/9	Louisville	27-6	W
10/16	Miami	36-19	W
10/23	@Navy	45-0	W
10/30	Syracuse	23-13	W
11/6	Army	37-7	W
11/13	West Virginia	24-16	W
11/26	@Penn State*	24-7	W
1/1	Georgia**	27-3	W

Record: 12-0 Total Points: 381-133

*Road game at Three Rivers Stadium

**Sugar Bowl

1977

Coach: Jackie Sherrill

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/10	Notre Dame	19-9	L
9/17	William & Mary	28-6	W
9/24	@Temple	76-0	W
10/1	@Boston College	45-7	W
10/8	@Florida	17-17	T
10/15	Navy	34-17	W
10/22	Syracuse	28-21	W
10/29	Tulane	48-0	W
11/5	@West Virginia	44-3	W
11/12	Army*	52-26	W
11/19	Penn State	15-13	L
12/20	Clemson**	34-3	W

Record: 9-2-1 Total Points: 428-134

*at East Rutherford, N.J.

**Gator Bowl

1978

Coach: Jackie Sherrill

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/16	@Tulane	24-6	W
9/23	Temple	20-12	W
9/30	North Carolina	20-16	W
10/7	@Boston College	32-15	W
10/14	@Notre Dame	26-17	L
10/21	Florida State	7-3	W
10/28	@Navy	21-11	L
11/4	@Syracuse	18-17	W
11/11	West Virginia	52-7	W
11/18	Army	35-17	W
11/25	@Penn State	17-10	L
12/23	N.C. State*	30-17	L

Record: 8-4 Total Points: 263-187

*Tangerine Bowl

1979

Coach: Jackie Sherrill

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/15	Kansas	24-0	W
9/22	@North Carolina	17-7	L
9/29	@Temple	10-9	W
10/6	Boston College	28-7	W
10/13	Cincinnati	35-0	W
10/20	@Washington	26-14	W
10/27	Navy	24-7	W
11/3	Syracuse	28-21	W
11/10	@West Virginia	24-17	W
11/17	@Army	40-0	W
11/24	Penn State	29-14	W
11/25	Arizona*	16-10	W

Record: 11-1 Total Points: 291-116

*Fiesta Bowl

1980

Coach: Jackie Sherrill

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/13	Boston College	14-6	W
9/20	@Kansas	18-3	W
9/27	Temple	36-2	W
10/4	Maryland	38-9	W
10/11	@Florida State	36-22	L
10/18	West Virginia	42-14	W
10/25	@Tennessee	30-6	W
11/1	@Syracuse	43-6	W
11/8	Louisville	41-23	W
11/15	@Army	45-7	W
11/22	@Penn State	14-9	W
12/29	South Carolina*	37-9	W

Record: 11-1 Total Points: 380-130

*Gator Bowl

1981

Coach: Jackie Sherrill

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/5	Illinois	26-6	W
9/19	Cincinnati	38-7	W
10/3	@South Carolina	42-28	W
10/10	@West Virginia	17-0	W
10/17	Florida State	42-14	W
10/24	Syracuse	23-10	W
10/31	@Boston College	29-24	W
11/7	Rutgers*	47-3	W
11/14	Army	48-0	W
11/21	@Temple	35-0	W
11/28	Penn State	48-14	L
1/1	Georgia**	24-20	W

Record: 11-1 Total Points: 385-160

*at East Rutherford, N.J.

**Sugar Bowl

1982

Coach: Serafino "Foge" Fazio

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/9	North Carolina*	7-6	W
9/18	@Florida State	37-17	W
9/25	@Illinois	20-3	W
10/2	West Virginia	16-13	W
10/16	Temple	38-17	W
10/23	@Syracuse	14-0	W
10/30	Louisville	63-14	W
11/6	Notre Dame	31-16	L
11/13	@Army	24-6	W
11/20	Rutgers	52-6	W
11/26	@Penn State	19-10	L
1/1	SMU**	7-3	L

Record: 9-3 Total Points: 300-139

*Home game at Three Rivers Stadium

**Cotton Bowl

1983

Coach: Serafino "Foge" Fazio

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/3	@Tennessee	13-3	W
9/10	Temple	35-0	W
9/24	@Maryland	13-7	L
10/1	@West Virginia	24-21	L
10/8	Florida State	17-16	W
10/15	@Louisville	55-10	W
10/22	@Navy	21-14	W
10/29	Syracuse	13-10	W
11/5	@Notre Dame	21-16	W
11/12	Army	38-7	W
11/19	Penn State	24-24	T
1/2	Ohio State*	28-23	L

Record: 8-3-1 Total Points: 288-165

*Fiesta Bowl

1984

Coach: Serafino "Foge" Fazio

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/1	Brigham Young	20-14	L
9/15	Oklahoma	42-10	L
9/22	@Temple	13-12	L
9/29	West Virginia	28-10	L
10/6	East Carolina	17-10	W
10/13	@South Carolina	45-21	L
10/20	@Miami	27-7	L
10/27	Navy	28-28	T
11/3	@Syracuse	13-7	L
11/10	Tulane	21-10	W
11/24	@Penn State	31-11	W

Record: 3-7-1 Total Points: 178-247

Game-By-Game

1985

Coach: Serafino "Foge" Fazio

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
8/31	Purdue	31-30	W
9/14	@Ohio State	10-7	L
9/21	Boston College	29-22	L
9/28	@West Virginia	10-10	T
10/5	South Carolina	42-7	W
10/12	N.C. State	24-10	W
10/19	@Rutgers*	38-10	W
10/26	@Navy	21-7	L
11/2	Syracuse	12-0	L
11/9	@Temple	21-17	W
11/23	Penn State	31-0	L

Record: 5-5-1 Total Points: 202-187

*at East Rutherford, N.J.

1986

Coach: Mike Gottfried

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/1	Maryland	10-7	L
9/13	@N.C. State	14-14	T
9/20	@Purdue	41-26	W
9/27	West Virginia	48-16	W
10/4	Temple	19-13	L
10/11	@Notre Dame	10-9	W
10/25	Navy	56-14	W
11/1	@Syracuse	24-20	L
11/8	Miami	37-10	L
11/15	Rutgers	20-6	W
11/22	@Penn State	34-14	L

Record: 5-5-1 Total Points: 253-209

1987

Coach: Mike Gottfried

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/2	@Brigham Young	27-17	W
9/12	N.C. State	34-0	W
9/19	Temple	24-21	L
9/26	@West Virginia	6-3	W
10/3	Boston College	13-10	L
10/10	Notre Dame	30-22	W
10/24	@Navy	10-6	W
10/31	Syracuse	24-10	L
11/7	@Rutgers*	17-0	W
11/14	Penn State	10-0	W
11/21	Kent State	28-5	W
12/31	Texas**	32-27	L

Record: 8-4 Total Points: 230-146

*at East Rutherford, N.J.

**Bluebonnet Bowl

1988

Coach: Mike Gottfried

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/3	Northern Iowa	59-10	W
9/17	Ohio State	42-10	W
9/24	West Virginia	31-10	L
10/1	@Boston College	34-31	L
10/8	Notre Dame	30-20	L
10/15	Temple	42-7	W
10/22	Navy	52-6	W
11/5	Rutgers	20-10	W
11/12	@Penn State	14-7	W
11/19	@N.C. State	14-3	L
12/3	@Syracuse	24-7	L

Record: 6-5 Total Points: 300-183

1989

Coach: Mike Gottfried

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/2	Pacific	38-3	W
9/9	@Boston College	29-10	W
9/23	Syracuse	30-23	W
9/30	@West Virginia	31-31	T
10/7	@Temple	27-3	W
10/14	Navy	31-14	W
10/28	@Notre Dame	45-7	L
11/11	Miami	24-3	L
11/18	East Carolina	47-42	W
11/25	Penn State	16-13	L
12/2	Rutgers	46-29	W
12/20	Texas A&M*#	31-28	W

Record: 8-3-1 Total Points: 333-268

*John Hancock Bowl

#Coach Paul Hackett

1990

Coach: Paul Hackett

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/1	Ohio University	35-3	W
9/8	Boston College	29-6	W
9/15	@Oklahoma	52-10	L
9/22	@Syracuse	20-20	T
9/29	West Virginia	38-24	L
10/13	Rutgers	45-21	W
10/20	Louisville	27-20	L
10/27	Notre Dame	31-22	L
11/3	@Miami	45-0	L
11/10	Temple	28-18	L
11/24	@Penn State	22-17	L

Record: 3-7-1 Total Points: 240-293

1991

Coach: Paul Hackett

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
8/31	@West Virginia	34-3	W
9/7	S. Mississippi	35-14	W
9/14	Temple	26-7	W
9/28	@Minnesota	14-13	W
10/5	Maryland	24-20	W
10/12	@Notre Dame	42-7	L
10/19	Syracuse	31-27	L
10/26	@East Carolina	24-23	L
11/2	@Boston College	38-12	L
11/9	Rutgers	22-17	W
11/28	Penn State	32-20	L

Record: 6-5 Total Points: 244-241

1992

Coach: Paul Hackett

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/5	Kent	51-10	W
9/12	West Virginia	44-6	L
9/17	@Rutgers	21-16	L
9/26	Minnesota	41-33	W
10/3	@Maryland	47-34	L
10/10	Notre Dame	52-21	L
10/17	@Temple	27-20	W
10/24	East Carolina	37-31	L
10/31	@Syracuse	41-10	L
11/14	Louisville	31-16	L
11/21	@Penn State	57-13	L
12/5	@Hawaii#	36-23	L

Record: 3-9 Total Points: 289-429

#Interim Head Coach Sal Sunseri

1993

Coach: John Majors

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/4	@S. Mississippi	14-10	W
9/11	Virginia Tech	63-21	L
9/18	Ohio State	63-28	L
10/2	Louisville	29-7	L
10/9	@Notre Dame	44-0	L
10/16	Syracuse	24-21	L
10/23	@West Virginia	42-21	L
10/28	@Rutgers+&	21-10	W
11/6	Miami	35-7	L
11/13	Boston College	33-0	L
11/20	@Temple	28-18	W

Record: 3-8 Total Points: 168-371

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1994

Coach: John Majors

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/3	Texas	30-28	L
9/10	Ohio U.	30-16	W
9/17	@Ohio State	27-3	L
9/24	Boston College	21-9	L
10/1	@Louisville	33-29	L
10/8	@Syracuse	31-7	L
10/15	West Virginia	47-41	L
10/22	@Virginia Tech	45-7	L
10/29	Temple	45-19	W
11/12	@Miami	17-12	L
11/19	Rutgers	35-21	W

Record: 3-8 Total Points: 246-307

1995

Coach: John Majors

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
9/2	Washington St.	17-13	W
9/9	E. Michigan	66-30	W
9/16	@Texas	38-27	L
9/23	Ohio State	54-14	L
9/30	Virginia Tech	26-16	L
10/7	@Boston College	17-0	L
10/14	@Temple	29-27	L
10/21	Miami	17-16	L
10/28	@Rutgers	42-24	L
11/11	Syracuse	42-10	L
11/24	@West Virginia	21-0	L

Record: 2-9 Total Points: 217-339

1996

Coach: John Majors

Date	Opponent	Score	W/L
8/31	West Virginia	34-0	L
9/7	Kent State	52-14	W
9/14	Houston	42-35	L
9/21	@Ohio State	72-0	L
9/28	@Miami	45-0	L
10/5	Temple	53-52	W
10/12	@Syracuse	55-7	L
10/26	@Virginia Tech	34-17	L
10/31	Boston College+	20-13	W
11/16	@Notre Dame	60-6	L
11/30	Rutgers	24-9	W

Record: 4-7 Total Points: 214-430

+Thursday night (ESPN)

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PITTSBURGH

A Legacy of Success

A simple accounting of the University of Pittsburgh's football accomplishments during its first 105 years would lead to an unmistakable conclusion: Pitt has a football heritage rich with achievement and glory.

Its nine national championships rank Pitt sixth in NCAA annals. The football program has produced 82 first-team All-Americans and ranks sixth among Division 1-A schools with 46 consensus All-Americans. Only 17 schools have more victories than Pitt's 572. Pitt players have won the Heisman Trophy, the Maxwell Award, the Walter Camp Award, the Outland Trophy and the Lombardi Trophy, and have been inducted into the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame.

Eighteen men associated with Pitt football—players and coaches alike— have been elected to the College Football Hall of Fame, and more are on the way. There have been approximately 200 former Panthers who have played in the National Football League, while 11 men have coached in the league, including Marty Schottenheimer, head coach of the Kansas City Chiefs; and Dave Wannstedt, head coach of the Chicago Bears who replaced another Pitt man— Mike Ditka, who in 1997 returned to the NFL coaching ranks as the head coach of the New Orleans Saints.

Any listing of Pitt's gridiron immortals is a roll call of football greatness. The names Joe Thompson, Pop Warner, Jock Sutherland, Hube Wagner, Bob Peck, Tommy Davies, George McLaren, Joe Skladany, Herb Stein, Charles Hartwig, Gibby Welch, Ave Daniell, Marshall Goldberg, Bill Daddio, Joe Schmidt, Mike Ditka, Tony Dorsett, Hugh Green, Rickey Jackson, Mark May, Russ Grimm, Dan Marino, Jimbo Covert, Bill Fralic and Chris Doleman hardly scratch the surface.

But Pitt football is about more than its great players, its victories, its awards, and its championships. It is also about courage and character and unified commitment — from first-team All-Americans to fourth-team reserves, in undefeated seasons and in years when the victory total could be counted on one finger.

While Jock Sutherland was coaching at Pitt, he once wrote an article for *The Saturday Evening Post*, in which he said:

"I honestly do not want to have my teams undefeated, untied and unscored upon. [Our schedules] are deliberately arranged so that we won't win all of our games. Our idea is to play each fall the toughest set of opponents we can assemble on one schedule and then sock it to as many of them as we can.

"But at some point in the season, we want to have to face the situation of seeing whether we have what it takes to rebound after a defeat, and give perhaps one that beat us the week before the whole works. We want to demonstrate to the players and to the spectators that tomorrow is another day... and that one or two defeats are only temporary setbacks which can be canceled at the next opportunity."

FATHER AND SON -- Young Joe Walton (left) and his father, Frank, both starred for the Panthers.

Anyone who understood Sutherland would know he truly meant that. He believed more than anything in developing character.

The strong character associated with Pitt football through the decades, both in good times and in bad, perhaps can be traced to the mettle of the city of Pittsburgh and the surrounding Western Pennsylvania region.

It is an area that grew up around the steel industry, a city that used to be lit up 24 hours a day with the night sky glowing from furnaces that burned so fiercely they were sometimes described as "hell on earth."

The close-knit ethnic neighborhoods in the cities and towns of the region spawned a strong sense of family and commitment. The relentless work ethic learned in the mills was passed along from generation-to-generation. Pride and inner toughness came from overcoming adversity and persevering in the face of long odds.

Some of these things surely have played a role in the tradition of Pitt football, permeating the players and coaches so profoundly that the football program itself has reflected the region's own strength, power and purpose.

Like the surrounding region, which has been forced to weather the death of the steel industry and other hard times, so too has Pitt football endured difficult periods. But also like Pittsburgh, which has been reborn into a thriving city teeming with new opportunities, so too has Pitt football always bounced back from its periods of drought. It has done this with a mental tenacity and the will to win.

"There is a drive, a desire to succeed that is instilled in virtually every player that comes out of the University of Pittsburgh," says Kansas City Chiefs Head Coach Marty Schottenheimer, an outstanding linebacker at Pitt in the early 1960s. "I've been around a lot of players, both as a player myself and as a coach, and I haven't seen that same trait from the players from any other school.

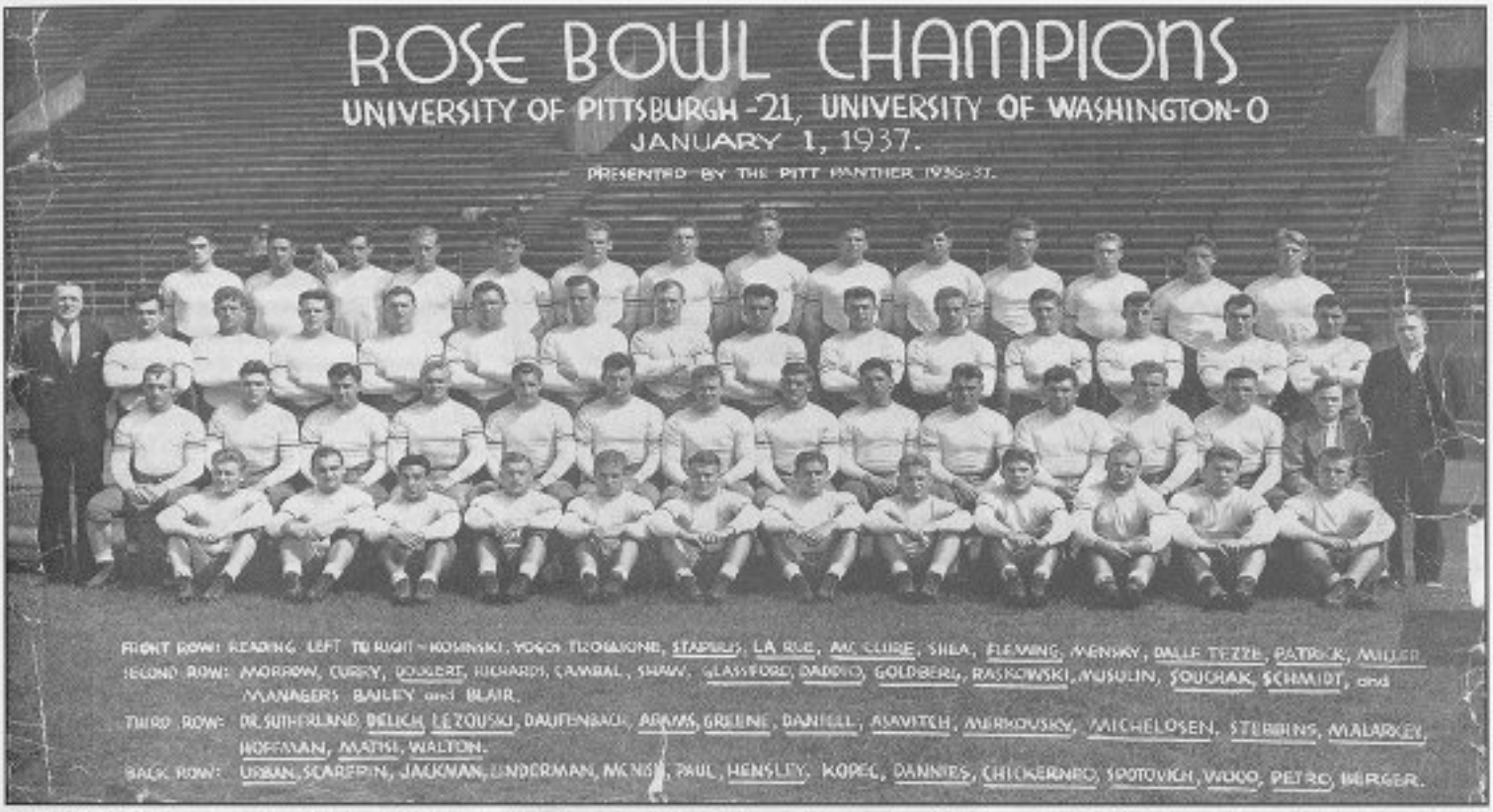
"I can't exactly put my finger on why it's there, because I'm sure every team and coach attempts to teach a desire to be the best, as well as instilling an attitude of mental toughness. But it seems the players coming out of Pitt all get those qualities, ones that help not only on the football field, but in most other challenging professions of life."

More than the victories and the honors, the bonds that are established in the quest to succeed sum up more than anything else, the essence of Pitt football.

The University's administration took a "Major" step forward in December 1992, when it named John Majors its 32nd head football coach. Majors, who spent the previous 16 seasons at the University of Tennessee, directed Pitt's modern football renaissance when he inherited a program in 1973 that had been 1-10 the previous season. Majors coached Pitt to four consecutive winning seasons, including a national championship in 1976.

As evidenced by Majors' first stay at Pitt, the Panther program has been to the mountaintop more than once; both the climb and the view can be breathtaking. As first-year Head Coach Walt Harris, Pittsburgh's 33rd head coach, leads the program into a new era of competition — Pittsburgh's seventh season in the Big East Football Conference — he too has set the sights high for the Panthers to return to the summit.

Pittsburgh Ranks Sixth in National Championships



The 1936 Pitt team, coached by Jock Sutherland, defeated the University of Washington, 21-0, on Jan. 1, 1937, to capture its seventh national championship title.

NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

1.	Notre Dame	17
2.	Yale	13
3.	Princeton	12
4.	USC	11
5.	Alabama	10
6.	**Pittsburgh**	**9**

Coach Jock Sutherland guided Pitt teams to five national titles.

Rating Systems

To settle countless arguments, *Sports Illustrated* in 1970 researched the first and only complete and wholly accurate list ever compiled of college football's mythical national champions. Every recognized authority that ever presumed to name a No. 1 is included:

Associated Press (1936-current); poll of sports-writers and broadcasters.

Park H. Davis Ratings (1889-1935); chosen by Davis, a player at Princeton in 1889 and a former coach at Wisconsin, Amherst and Lafayette, and first published in the 1934 Spaulding's Football Guide.

Dickinson System (1924-40); chosen by University of Illinois economics professor Frank G. Dickinson; based on system that awarded various point totals for wins over teams with winning or non-winning records.

Dunkel System (1929-current); a power index rating system devised by Dick Dunkel and syndicated to newspapers around the nation.

Football Writers Association of America (1954-current); chosen by a five-man committee representing membership.

Helms First Interstate Bank Athletic Foundation (1889-current); originally founded in 1936 as Helms Athletic Foundation and changed in the early 1970s to Citizens Savings Athletic Foundation before current name was adopted in 1981.

***Illustrated Football Annual* (1924-41)**; an "azzi ratem" system published in this highly regarded magazine by William F. Boand.

Litkenhouse System (1934-current); a "difference-by-score" method syndicated by Fred Litkenhouse and his brother Edward.

National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame (1959-current); chosen annually by committee representing membership.

The Football Thesaurus (1927-58); system devised by Duke Houlgate and published in book of same title.

United Press International (1950-current); poll of 35 college coaches.

Williamson System (1932-63); system of syndicated power ratings chosen by Paul Williamson, a geologist and member of the Sugar Bowl committee.

Pitt's National Champions

Year	Record	Coach	Selector
1976	12-0	Majors	Unanimous
1937	9-0-1	Sutherland	AP, DS, LS, IFA, WS, TFT
1936	8-1-1	Sutherland	IPA, TFT
1934	9-1	Sutherland	Davis
1931	8-1	Sutherland	Davis
1929	9-1	Sutherland	Davis
1918	4-0	Warner	Unanimous
1916	8-0	Warner	Unanimous
1915	8-0	Warner	Davis

Origins Of Pittsburgh Football

In 1889, a spindly, 130-pound lad named Burt Smyers graduated from Bucknell Academy and went on to Western University of Pennsylvania. That autumn, along with a senior named John D. Scott, Smyers gathered a small, curious, group of students together into the first organized football team at the University.

Only three members of what Smyers later called "our motley crew" had ever even seen a football contest before enlisting their services. Smyers installed himself as the quarterback. Scott, also a baseball pitcher, became a center. Frank Rhea and John McGrew were the guards; Harry Calvert and A.B. McGrew were the tackles. Calvert's brother, George, was an end, along with E. C. Shaler, an opera singer. Joe Griggs and Billy Gill were the halfbacks. The fullback was John Hansen.

That group played a game against Shadyside Academy, which it lost. "We had a long way to go before we could tear down any goal posts," Smyers recalled years later.

Pat Hartrich and Albert Marshall replaced the original ends for the first true "season" of play in 1890, and George Neale took Hansen's place at fullback.

"We started out with one football each fall and used it in every game and every practice," Smyers said. "We furnished our own uniforms and paid our own traveling expenses.

"Our equipment really was thrown together. In my own case, I had no money to spend recklessly, so I wrote home to mother and told her I needed a pair of football pants. She made them by cutting off the legs of an old grey pair and putting rubber elastic around the knees.

"The stockings were contributed by my sister. The girls wore heavier stockings than they do now. Football players also wore jackets, and I tried to describe in a letter to my mother that they were made of canvas. But the only canvas she had was from some old oat sacks around the barn. So she made me a vest of that with laces from an old corset, and I was all ready to play."

The uniforms were primitive, and it was a different game as well.

"Those were days of the flying wedge and every five-yard advance meant a first down," Smyers said. "We had four plays: end run, line buck, punt, and a lateral pass. We played our games at Expo Park and our crowds ranged from 50 to 100 people."

Many games in the early years involved high schools and athletic clubs; in fact, only 27 of the school's 56 games in the 1890s were intercollegiate.

The inaugural season's first game, on October 11, 1890, actually was something of a fluke. When a game scheduled between the Shadyside Academy and Allegheny Athletic Association was canceled because Shadyside failed to show, Western's team was summoned to Expo Park. Allegheny AA won the game, 38-0.

"We started out with one football each fall and used it in every game and every practice. We furnished our own uniforms and paid our own traveling expenses."

--Burt Smyers

Colonel Joe Thompson was a team captain, later a successful coach, and a World War I hero.

Western also began the first of many long-standing rivalries in 1890 when it lost, 32-0, to Washington and Jefferson. The game between Western and Washington and Jefferson the following year was a rough affair, with game accounts describing Harry Calvert's head being split open, and Smyers having his nose broken. The final score added insult to injury: W & J 40, WUP 6.

The two schools enjoyed a great rivalry through the years, meeting 33 times before the series ended after the 1935 season.

Joe Trees, a talented 210-pound tackle, became Pitt's first subsidized athlete in 1891.

"We had played a few practice games with Indiana Normal (now Indiana University of Pennsylvania)," Smyers recalled, "and Trees was the biggest man on the Indiana team. I asked him if he'd like to come and play at Pitt. He said he would, but he didn't have any money.

"I arranged for the various classes at Pitt to take care of him. One class paid his tuition, another his room, and another his board."

Trees, who later made millions in oil, never forgot his alma mater and maintained close ties with the University until his death in 1943. "Call on Joe" became a byword at Pitt, and he always came through for his alma mater. If the band wanted to make a trip to a big game but lacked funds, he would be there with his checkbook. He donated $100,000 to Trees Gymnasium, deeded the practice field to the school, gave $75,000 to the building of Alumni Hall, and bought $200,000 worth of stadium bonds.

After finishing 2-5 in 1891, WUP posted its first winning record in 1892, ending with a 4-2 mark. The following season Western hired Anson F. Harrold as its first true coach, but the team slipped to a 1-4 record.

Dr. Fred Robinson, a former Penn State player, took over as head coach in 1898 and guided the team to a 5-2-1 record, and followed that up the next year with a 3-1-1 mark.

Dr. M. Roy Jackson succeeded Robinson in 1900 and led WUP to a 5-4 record. Then Wilber D. Hockensmith coached the team in 1901, posting a 7-2-1 record.

Hockensmith also played in the late 1890s. The following are some of his recollections from the period around the turn of the century:

"In the fall of 1897, about 16 boys enrolled in the Western University of Pennsylvania who had played football in their hometowns or for preparatory schools. A student in the School of Law named Thomas Trenchard, who had graduated from Princeton, coached the varsity team. He had been quite famous as an end and was known to players and fans as "Doggie" Trenchard. The varsity, in those days, was composed mostly of seniors and graduate students; only upperclassmen and postgraduates were considered physically strong enough to play football as it was played at that time.

"The freshmen entering in 1897 organized a class team and began to play teams whenever they could be scheduled. Each player purchased his own nose guards, shin guards, shoes, and moleskin vests, which were then in vogue, and all contributed to a fund to buy a football for the first game.

"We played some of our games in the late 1890s at Recreational Park, but in 1901 we obtained the Schenley Oval for our games, introducing football to the Schenley district for the first time. The games were free to all who wished to attend."

The 1904 campaign began a string of eight consecutive winning seasons, including a 10-0 record under Arthur St. L. Mosse that year and a 10-2 mark in 1905; a 6-4 mark under E. R. Wingard in 1906, and 8-2 under scholarly John Moorhead, a Yale product, in 1907.

In 1908, Joe Thompson, a member of the undefeated 1904 squad and the captain of the 1905 team, took over as head coach through the 1912 season. Thompson was followed by Joseph Duff, who coached the Panthers until 1915, when Pop Warner took over.

The Pop Warner Era

Glen Scobey "Pop" Warner coached at Pitt from 1915-23, and under his command the Panthers evolved into a national power. His teams were 59-12-4 (.787) and were recognized as national champions in 1915, 1916 (unanimously), and 1918 (unanimously).

Some of the greatest players in Pitt history including Bob Peck, George McLaren, Tommy Davies, Herb Stein, Andy Hastings, Tiny Thornhill, H.C. "Doc" Carlson, Leonard Hilty, Dale Seis, Jack Sack, Pud Seidel and Jock Sutherland, played under Warner.

Warner, a stalwart, 200-pound guard at Cornell in the early 1890s, when Pitt's own football program was finding its legs, began his coaching career at Georgia in 1895. He returned to Cornell in 1897, and two years later took charge at the government school for Indians at Carlisle, where he was football coach, athletic director, baseball, track, and boxing coach through 1914 except for 1904 through 1906, when he was back at Cornell.

He left Pitt in 1924 for Stanford, where he remained through 1932. He returned East to coach Temple from 1933-38, after which he retired from active coaching. His nine-year record at Pitt was 60-11-4, and his overall career mark was 313-106-32.

Few coaches in the history of college football have influenced their players—and their peers—as significantly as Warner.

"His was a contemplative and deliberate mind," wrote Allison Danzig in *The History of American Football*. "It was behind the scenes, in the quiet of his study, that the genius of Warner, a tinkerer whose hobby was to take apart worn-out automobile engines and put them together again, found its expression. There he worked out the stratagems, and devised the departures from orthodox football that won him recognition as one of the two most fertile and original minds football has known (the other being Amos Alonzo Stagg).

"Warner was preeminently a creator, and his fame is secure as one of the trail-blazers who led football out of the wilderness of massed, close-order, push-and-pull play into the more open game of speed, deception, and brains. His was one of the more intelligent and visionary minds that helped bring about the evolution of football from a mere physical test of unimaginative brute strength to a contest of skill in which the college youth was given the chance to show that there was something underneath his long hair besides a skull.

"There can be no questioning that Warner ranks among the greatest coaches football has known, and that he ranks second to none in the imagination, perception and originality he brought to bear in moving eleven men upon a plane of turf."

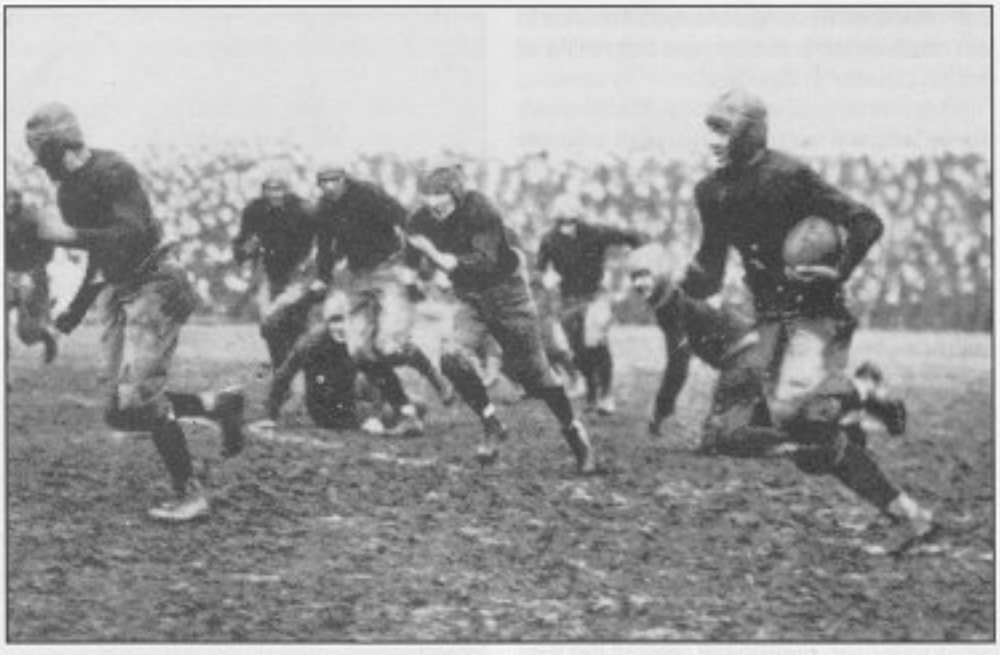
Coach Pop Warner's Pitt teams (1915-23) produced the first dominant era of Panther football excellence.

His teams operated from both the single wing and the double wing, inventions which sprang from his imagination. From those formations he used a bewildering set of spins, reverses, double reverses, fake reverses, runs from fake passes and passes from fake runs.

Red Smith wrote in the *New York Herald Tribune* in 1954, "Pop Warner was a gruff old gent, kind and forthright and obstinate and honest. He was one of the few truly original minds in football coaching, and that made him a big man in his world. There is, however, a more important measure of a football coach than his contribution to and influence on the technique of the game. The quality of the man himself is revealed in the attitude of his former players after they have outgrown the awed hero worship of undergraduate days. After the boys who played for him had become men, Pop remained a hero to them."

That was certainly true of his Pitt players.

Doc Carlson, an All-American end under Warner and for 31 years a Hall of Fame basketball coach at Pitt, wrote of Warner in a letter dated March 1953, "Over the years Glenn S. Warner proved himself to be most ingenious in football and in many of the harassing details of everyday life. From the repair of a newspaperman's eyeglasses to the invention of player equipment and the origin and development of football plays, Warner filled in many details to make a wonderful experience of association with him. Personality, originality, and the promotion of kindly human relationships are only part of the great trademarks of Glenn Scobey Warner. You couldn't tell any of his boys there was a finer gentleman, or a greater coach."



The 1917 Panthers finished the season with a 9-0 record and shut out six of their opponents.

Jock Sutherland: A Football Man

The legacy of John Bain "Jock" Sutherland is perhaps best summed up this way: He was a football man.

Sutherland, a native of Scotland who, according to legend, played in the first football game he ever saw, is Pitt football's all-time crown jewel. Both as an All-America guard for the Panthers during a brilliant four-year playing career under Pop Warner, and later as a Hall of Fame coach whose dominating teams were knighted as national champions five times, he set impeccable standards of excellence at Pitt.

Sutherland became a larger-than-life figure not only at Pitt but throughout the college football world.

When he died unexpectedly of a brain tumor in 1948, the city of Pittsburgh and the sporting world mourned the loss of one of the truly great men in sports.

"Jock, above all, was a leader," said the *Pittsburgh Post-Gazette* in an editorial upon his death. "This impressed you at once on first meeting him. Character, restraint and sincerity were written in his bearing.

"There is nothing anybody can say about the passing of Jock Sutherland that isn't felt in the heart of every man and woman in Pittsburgh. In any list of the district's assets, he was close to the top."

Johnny Sutherland was one of seven children born to Mary Burns Sutherland, a descendant of the poet, Robert Burns. When his father, Archibald, suffered a fatal internal rupture trying to save the life of a fellow worker pinned under a fallen girder, Mary Sutherland sent young Johnny to America to join relatives here and escape from a life of certain poverty in Scotland.

When he arrived in America, the 16-year-old Sutherland was determined to educate himself and get ahead. After working his way through several prep schools, including one job as a night policeman in the Pittsburgh suburb of Sewickley, he entered Pitt's School of Dentistry in 1914.

During his early years in America, Sutherland focused his sturdy, 6-4, 210-pound frame on soccer, the game most popular in his native Scotland. But when Joe Duff, the Pitt football coach in 1914, got one look at this tall, strapping Scot, he convinced him to try his hand at football.

By the second game of the season, "Jock," as he came to be known, became a starting guard. He flourished at the game. Like a bridge player who understands the system behind the play, Sutherland sensed the reasons for the moves on the gridiron, and he developed into one of the greatest guards in Pitt history. He became an All-American under Pop Warner, who succeeded Duff as head coach in 1915.

Dr. John Bain "Jock" Sutherland

During his four years as a player, Sutherland only tasted defeat once; the Panthers were undefeated in his final three seasons, and were recognized as national champions in 1915 and 1916. Sutherland also had a perfect record, as both a player and a coach, against Penn State. The taste he acquired for victory as a player would carry over into his brilliant coaching career.

After a tour in the Army, during which he coached several camp teams, he accepted an offer in 1919 to become the head coach at Lafayette College. He spent five years at Lafayette, producing an eastern championship team in 1921 and defeating Pitt twice in a row.

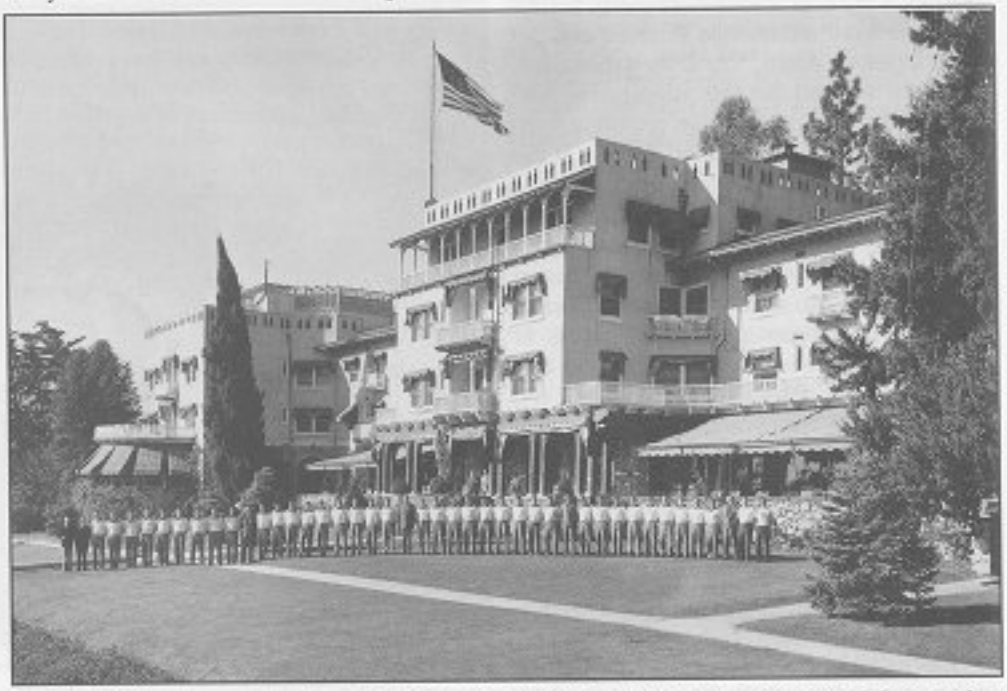
When Pop Warner left Pitt for Stanford in 1924, Sutherland returned to his alma mater as head coach, where he remained through the 1938 season.

There was a touch of grandeur to Sutherland. Tall, strong, ruggedly handsome, with a formidable jaw and piercing blue eyes, "Jock Sutherland," wrote *Look Magazine's* Tim Cohane, "had a strength of mind, body, and purpose as unshakable and craggy as the hills enveloping his native Coupar Angus."

He was a commanding, almost majestic figure, an austere man of few words with a reserve not even his players could break down. To those who did not know him, he could seem forbidding. As a result, he earned a few unflattering nicknames over the years, including "the Great Stone Face" and the "Dour Scot."

"But in his relaxed hours," wrote New York sportswriter Joe Williams, "which were not infrequent, there could not have been a more companionable man. His soft, pleasing voice rolled with the thistle of his native Scotland. He had wit and wisdom and a certain grace."

None of his players ever dreamed of addressing Sutherland, either during their



The 1937 Pitt team poses in front of the Arrowhead Springs Hotel in California, which served as team headquarters for 10 days leading up to the Rose Bowl game.

Jock Sutherland

playing days or in later years, as anything but "Doctor." The fierce devotion and respect they had for him lasted a lifetime.

Sutherland was a stern taskmaster. He sometimes would set the pace for his players by striding up the long steep hill leading to Pitt Stadium and insisting that his players do the same. He admonished those who hitched a ride from a passing car, in his Scottish burr, to "get off that curr." The penalty for those he caught riding up the hill: extra laps.

Sutherland never criticized a player publicly, and was privately considerate of them, especially in bad times. He was their champion, who fought tirelessly for them, who encouraged them and who rejoiced proudly in every advance each made both during their college days and long afterward.

"Although he was a driver, an exacting teacher, a stern disciplinarian, Sutherland's players knew he was interested in their futures," Cohane wrote. "He steered many of them into the professions. They knew also that he was inwardly warm, sympathetic to their problems, always their defender. When they lost, they had a feeling they had betrayed him."

That didn't happen often. In his 15 years as coach at Pitt, the Panthers compiled a brilliant 111-20-12 record. Four times, playing a rugged schedule, his teams were undefeated. Five times they were invited to the Rose Bowl. Five times they were recognized as national champions.

Pitt played Notre Dame six times from 1932-1937, and the Panthers claimed victory five times. After a decisive 21-6 loss to Pitt in 1937, Irish Coach Elmer Layden decided 'no mas' and reasoned Notre Dame would be better off not playing the Panthers. "I'm through with Pittsburgh," Layden said. "We haven't got a chance. They not only knock our ears back, but we are no good the next week. I'm calling off the Pittsburgh series."

Notre Dame was just one of the powerful teams Pitt faced in those years. Sutherland insisted on playing the most formidable schedule possible, and as a result he generally resisted pointing his team for any one game. For the most part, as far as the Pitt players were concerned, one opponent was just like another. They were taught to have a high regard for all of their opponents and to go—as Jock put it—helter-skelter from whistle-to-whistle.

He managed to keep his players at a high level all season by coaching them in a calm, professional manner. Locker room histrionics had no place in his system. There were no known "Win one for the Gipper" pep talks from Sutherland.

Before a game he would tell his players what he wanted them to do. At halftime he would inform them if they had failed to do that. If they were losing at halftime, he wouldn't whip them into a fury by screaming at them, pleading with them, or shedding tears over the calamity about to befall the old alma mater.

Consequently, Sutherland's teams didn't rush out of the locker room in a lather. He simply didn't believe in furious football—the fighting, crying, hysterical kind of football. He wanted his players to fight hard all the way. But he didn't want them to play with their heads whirling and tears of rage in their eyes. That wasn't his kind of football. His teams were known for their slamming, hammering, power football. But the force they exerted was a precision that called for clear, cold thinking rather than emotion.

Sutherland was a genius of defensive football, and his teams were always powerfully arrayed on that side of the ball.

Under his command, Pitt shut out its opponents 79 times (55 percent of the time) in 15 seasons.

"His teams were hard to score on, even when you beat him, as Bernie Bierman, with two of the greatest teams in Minnesota history, found out," Grantland Rice wrote. "As great a coach as Bierman was, he needed the better material to beat Jock. They all needed better material to beat Jock. No one with inferior material ever drew a decision over Scotland's greatest football son."

Probably no football coach ever constructed a running attack with more precision, power, and sheen than Jock Sutherland. His teams were power teams; the backs ran with fury behind devastating blocking.

Pitt would begin by attacking the flanks and off tackle by sweeps, cutbacks, and reverses. After the defensive line would widen to compensate, Sutherland then would attack inside tackle and up the middle.

In some ways, Sutherland wanted the center to be the best man on his team. "The running game," he said, "which is, or should be, the better part of football, depends on split-second accuracy and timing from the center. If the ball gets to the runner a tenth of a second too soon—or too late—the running play may be spoiled. So in looking over my talent I pick a man for center who is never rattled or hurried or upset by anything."

Sutherland, who won 111 games as Pitt's coach, later coached the Pittsburgh Steelers for two seasons.

"Sutherland rehearsed every play as if it were an investment in millions," wrote Tim Cohane. "He would trace the blocking routes with a stick until the pulling linemen ran them to the inch and split second. No other coach came closer to reducing the running game to a pure science."

As another sportswriter of the time put it, "There was no chi-chi in Sutherland football." He scorned frills and fancy stuff. The essence of his attack, which was dubbed the Sutherland Scythe, was the unsubtle, power-animated off-tackle play from the single wing he had learned under Warner. He also introduced the double-wing formation, with which Warner had experimented when Sutherland was a player. (Warner initially had been dissatisfied with the double wing, but Sutherland recognized possibilities in it which Warner, and others, would later also recognize.)

"Jock had the finest running attack football has known," wrote Grantland Rice, "and this doesn't bar Knute Rockne, Lou Little, Percy Haughton, Hurry Up Yost, Howard Jones, Pop Warner, and anyone you can mention. Jock's great Pitt teams rumbled and blasted out their yardage in the single-wing, unbalanced line attack. When Jock had the horses, which was his custom, the Panthers' attack was something to behold."

The Dream Backfield

The glory years of Pitt under Jock Sutherland in the 1930s featured tremendous backfield play, climaxing in 1938 with the marvelous "Dream Backfield."

The formation of the "Dream Backfield," which was intact as a starting unit for that one season only—1938—evolved this way:

In 1935, Frank Patrick was a triple-threat fullback and shared the job with fellow sophomore Bill Stapulis; they were interchangeable for the next three years. The right halfback was junior Bobby LaRue, the climax man in Pitt's dreaded deep reverse and, according to one scribe, "the neatest, most elusive runner Jock Sutherland ever had."

In 1936, a pair of flashy sophomore halfbacks joined Patrick, Stapulis, and LaRue in the Panther backfield: Marshall Goldberg, a compact sophomore fire-brand from Elkins, West Virginia, and Harold "Curly" Stebbins, a rangy all-purpose back from Williamsport, Pennsylvania. John Chickerneo, another young sophomore from Warren, Ohio, also entered the picture that year as an understudy quarterback behind John Michelosen.

Goldberg—who was named All-America at left halfback—Stebbins, Stapulis and Patrick were joined by a new sophomore phenom in 1937, Dick Cassiano. With such a deep and gifted stable of running backs, and with the clever Michelosen and Chickerneo sharing the quarterbacking job, Sutherland had an embarrassment of backfield riches. In fact, although the quartet of Goldberg, Stebbins, Cassiano, and Chickerneo would be dubbed the "Dream Backfield" the following season and would earn more fame as a unit, Pitt's 1937 backfield wrecking crew was much deeper at every position, and helped the Panthers win a national championship.

In 1938, with Patrick, Stapulis, and Michelosen gone, Sutherland felt he had to make room in the starting backfield for Cassiano, the brilliant junior from Albany, New York. Since "Dandy Dick" was a natural left halfback, and because Sutherland wanted him on the field, he asked Goldberg to switch to fullback for his senior season.

The unselfish Goldberg, who had led Pitt in rushing in 1936 (886 yards) and in 1937 (698 yards), readily complied, relinquishing his starting left halfback post to the talented, fuzzy-haired comet, Cassiano. With Chickerneo operating as the No. 1 quarterback, and Stebbins entrenched at right halfback, the Dream Backfield was in place.

The dazzling quartet became the blade of the Sutherland Scythe, earning kudos not only as the best backfield in the country, but as one of the best ever to play the game.

Fordham Coach Jimmy Crowley, one of the legendary Four Horsemen of Notre Dame, claimed the Dream Backfield was even more formidable than the immortal Irish executioners of 1924.

Crowley, who helped write football history at Notre Dame with fellow Four Horsemen Harry Stuhldreher, Elmer Layden, and Don Miller, said he never saw a backfield with the all-around capabilities of Marshall Goldberg, Curly Stebbins, John Chickerneo, and Dick Cassiano.

"The Notre Dame backs of 1924 were as fast as Goldberg, Stebbins, Cassiano and Chickerneo," said Crowley after Pitt's 21-13 victory over Crowley's Fordham team in 1938. "We had superior passing and more skillful kicking by Layden. But we lacked the physical advantages—and consequently the power—of the four phenomenal Panthers."

"It is extremely doubtful that any backfield ever matched them for sheer power," wrote New York sportswriter Harry Grayson. "All are highly proficient and can run in either direction.

"Goldberg, who weighs 184 pounds and stands 5 feet 10½ inches, would be the best guard or end on the Pitt varsity were he not a back. Goldberg is the hardest runner of the four and is of good speed, although he and Chickerneo are not as rapid as Curly Stebbins, and Cassiano is the speediest of the quartet.

"Strictly a team man, Goldberg sacrificed the running position of left halfback this fall to block, and his teammates love him for it. He kicks well enough and throws a short pass with deadly accuracy.

"Chickerneo, who calls the plays, is the ideal blocker—would rather throw a good one than score a touchdown. It doesn't pay an end to fool Chick, for the next time the Panther quarterback will swipe him right up into the bleacher seats. Chick, who scales 188 pounds and is 6 feet 1 inch tall, kicks well enough and throws a nice, long pass.

"Stebbins weighs 192 pounds and stands 6-1. He runs like a thief and can pass uncommonly well when called upon.

"Cassiano, the smallest of the lot at 172 pounds and standing 5-10, has blazing speed, drive and bounce, and while he plays the key position of left halfback, he has a fullback's instinct of picking up that extra yard."

The "Dream Backfield of 1938." Clockwise from bottom left: Harold Stebbins, Coach Jock Sutherland, Dick Cassiano, John Chickerneo and Marshall Goldberg.

A Different Proving Ground

The 1940s and early 1950s were not a glorious era of success on the field for Pitt.

The University suffered the same kinds of problems as many other "big- time" schools during the war years: decline in attendance, funding shortages, transportation problems, game cancellations, the discontinuance of athletic scholarships and reductions in recruiting.

"Some of the more fortunate colleges escaped the dragnet of trouble by using service trainees to play football," wrote Jack Henry in *Hail To Pitt*, "but Pitt was among those forced to survive with 17-year-old freshmen and 4-F's. An added blow was that when the Pearl Harbor tragedy occurred, Pitt had not yet recovered from the malady known as the post-Sutherland blues."

After nearly a quarter century of coaching stablility in the hands of Sutherland and, before him, Pop Warner, the head coaching position turned into a revolving door.

During the 16 years from 1939-1954 — the years between the reigns of Sutherland and John Michelosen—seven coaches came and went: Charlie Bowser (1939-1942); Clark Shaughnessy (1943-1945); Wes Fesler (1946); Walt Milligan (1947-1949); Len Casanova (1950); Tom Hamilton (1951); and Red Dawson (1952-54).

The Panthers' record during that 16-year stretch was 57-84-3. There were only four winning seasons, no bowl games—plenty of frustration. (By comparison, Pitt's record in the previous 16 years was 114-24-12, with five national championships, five Rose Bowl invitations, All-Americans galore and the respect of the college football world.)

Yet if the '40s and early '50s represented a comparatively bleak period on the field in Pitt's football history, it also was a different kind of proving ground for the gallant young men who strove against long odds to try to reclaim Pitt's place among football's elite.

They weren't always successful, but according to Nick Bolkovac, a talented tackle and Pitt's captain in 1950, there were some different rewards for the players on those teams.

"The men of the Sutherland era, those of the Johnny Michelosen and Johnny Majors teams, and the players of the modern era have their own pockets of camaraderie," says Bolkovac, whose 23-yard interception return for a touchdown helped Pitt beat Penn State 7-0 to hand the Nittany Lions their only loss of the 1949 season. "Their accomplishments in each of their periods form a basis of understanding which bind them together.

"But those of us in the '40s suffered with the limited support the University gave us. We survived the politics, but more importantly we understood that mental and physical toughness were prerequisites for survival. We knew that intestinal fortitude and pride were required to overcome adversity and to enable us to stand toe-to-toe and do battle with the best the country had to offer.

"We knew how the deck was stacked, but it did not deter us. Adversity was a companion we accepted as a teacher. It taught us what we were made of and what we could be. We knew who we were and what we were. We were Pitt!

"It was that determination to defeat adversity that enabled us to garner many unexpected victories and many near victories. And I believe what gave us our strength to persevere, what gave us the determination to stand up to the best, was the Pitt spirit and tradition. That tradition may have been tarnished slightly during our era, but it was never trampled upon. In many ways, it may have been Pitt's finest hour."

Pitt and Nebraska battle it out in a 1955 game at Pitt Stadium, which the Panthers won 21-7. Pitt's 15 victories against the Huskers are the second most by any team from outside the Big 12.

John Paluck was a standout defensive lineman who lettered from 1953-55.

Pitt certainly also had its share of stars during that era. Edgar "Special Delivery" Jones was a wonderful running back in the early 1940s. He almost single-handedly helped Pitt upset a great Fordham team in 1941 with a performance that ranks among Pitt's greatest.

"It was the most amazing individual performance I have ever seen," said Fordham Head Coach Jimmy Crowley of Jones's effort, which included 106 yards rushing, returning an interception 30 yards for a touchdown, pinpoint passing, and continually coming through in the clutch when the Panthers needed him.

"Special Delivery" Jones was special on defense too; in 1941 he set Pitt records that still stand for most interception yardage in one game (132 vs. Nebraska) and in a season (224).

There were other standouts. Ralph Fife, an All-America guard in 1941; Jimmy Joe Robinson, Pitt's first black player and a game-breaking running back in the mid-1940s; Bill McPeak, an outstanding end and Pitt's 1948 captain; Lou "Bimbo" Cecconi, who led Pitt in rushing in 1947, 1948, and 1949 and captained the Panthers as a senior in '49; Carl DePasqua, a top back and premier punter in the late 1940s; halfback Billy Reynolds, whose 748 yards rushing in 1952 was the highest figure in between Marshall Goldberg's 886 yards in 1936 and Tony Dorsett's 1,686 in 1973; quarterback Bob Bestwick, who became the first Pitt quarterback to pass for more than 1,000 yards (1,165) in 1951; Bernie Barkouskie, an All-America guard in the late 1940s; Eldred Kraemer, an All-America tackle in 1952; and Joe Schmidt, the Panthers' All-America linebacker who played from 1950-52 and later coached the Detroit Lions.

The 1963 Season: 9-1 And No Place To Go

Imagine a major college football team finishing 9-1, ranked third in the nation and not appearing in a post-season bowl game.

That is exactly what happened to Pitt's 1963 squad, which won all but one of its 10 games against a tough schedule.

The Panthers featured All-America halfback Paul Martha, fullback Rick Leeson and quarterback Freddie Mazurek in a talented backfield, along with an outstanding line anchored by tackles John Maczuzak and All-American Ernie Borghetti.

Pitt opened the year by defeating UCLA in Los Angeles, and then beat Washington, California, and West Virginia to run its record to 4-0.

The following week, Pitt lost 24-12 at Navy, which was quarterbacked by eventual Heisman Trophy winner Roger Staubach.

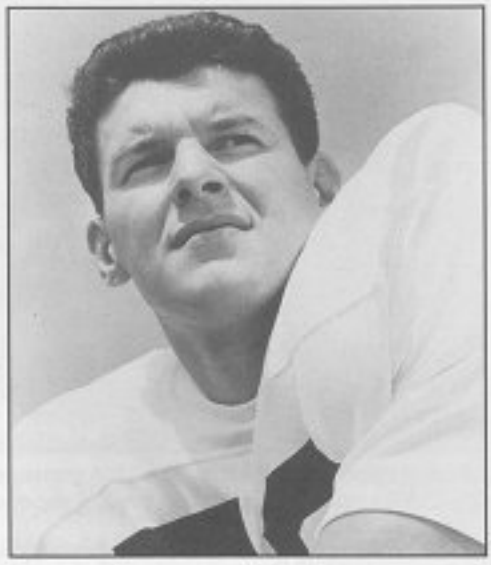
The Panthers bounced back the next week by beating Syracuse and then finished the season with successive victories over Notre Dame, Army, Miami and Penn State.

But despite its sterling 9-1 record, there was no bowl game for the Panthers. In fact, on watches the Pitt players received after the season, the inscription read, "9-1, The No-Bowl Team."

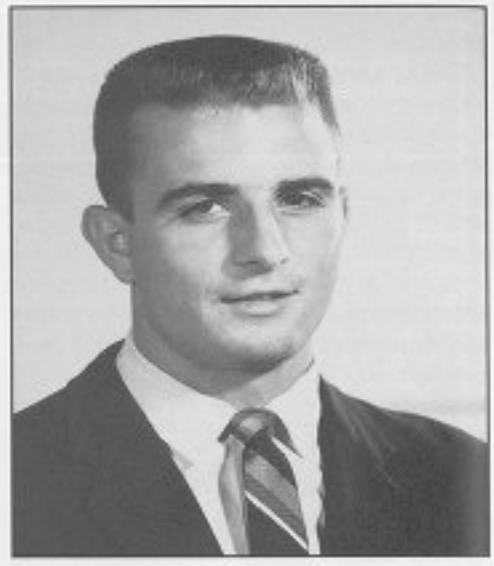
Why?

It wasn't for lack of interest by the bowl scouts. Late in the season scouts from the Gator, Sun, Liberty, Sugar and Orange Bowls were all interested in Pitt.

After Pitt's 28-0 win over Army in the eighth game of the season, Gator Bowl representative Harold Mason said, "The Penn State game . . . I think that's the key to Pitt's season."



Ernie Borghetti was an All-America lineman on the 1963 team.



Fred Hoaglin was a sophomore lineman in 1963.

Pitt wound up beating the Nittany Lions 22-21, but not on the day the game was originally scheduled to be played. The game had been scheduled for Nov. 23, but it was postponed until Dec. 7 because of the assassination of President John F. Kennedy on Nov. 22. Kennedy's death wound up hurting Pitt's bowl chances.

Pitt officials themselves had scratched off the possibility of playing in the Sugar Bowl, because of the prevailing prejudicial treatment against blacks at that time. Pitt, which had two black players on its team, wouldn't tolerate the bias.

"I don't think anybody had any reservations about that decision," said end Al Grigaliunas, the team captain.

The Liberty Bowl, Gator, and Sun Bowl were shunned by Athletic Director Frank Carver, because he was aiming high. He wanted Pitt to play in the Cotton Bowl, or the Orange Bowl, possibly for the national title.

As late as the eighth week of the season Pitt was the best bet to meet Big Eight champion Nebraska in the Orange Bowl.

"The Orange Bowl had promised Frank Carver that if Pitt beat Penn State, Pitt would get the invitation to the Orange Bowl," said Roy McHugh, the retired *Pittsburgh Press* sports writer who covered Pitt in 1963. "Banking on that, Carver turned down the Gator Bowl, and maybe some other bowls, too. But Kennedy's assassination forced postponement of the Pitt-Penn State game and the Orange Bowl [not wanting to take the chance that Pitt might lose to Penn State after being chosen] picked Auburn. The key was the postponement of the game. It left Pitt high and dry."

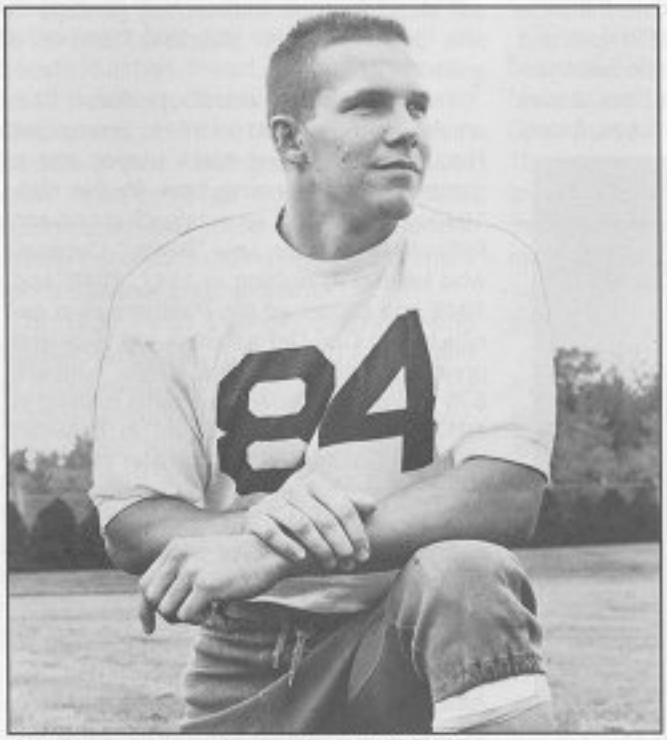
The Cotton Bowl was high on Pitt, but it was higher on Navy. Like Pitt, Navy had a 9-1 record, but the Midshipmen owned a victory over the Panthers. Cotton Bowl officials thus opted for a natural matchup: the No. 1 Texas Longhorns vs. the No. 2 Midshipmen for the national championship. (Texas won, 28-6.)

After the Penn State game, Pitt was offered a Sun Bowl bid, but turned it down.

Ironically, many of the Pitt players weren't outraged at being left out of the bowl picture.

"No, I don't think we were that disappointed," said Martha, now a prominent attorney in Pittsburgh. "It was getting late in the season, and it was getting cold in Pittsburgh. And bowl games in 1963 weren't quite as big as they are today. They didn't have the lure."

"Perhaps another reason why the '63 Panthers weren't crushed about staying home was that football wasn't the main reason they were in school," wrote Mike Bires of the *Beaver County Times*. "Those players gave true meaning to the term student-athlete."



Bob Long was a senior end for the '63 Panthers.

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In December of 1972, in the wake of a 1-10 season, Pitt's administration tabbed 37-year-old Johnny Majors, who had been the head coach at Iowa State, to try to reverse the Panthers' football fortunes. When Chancellor Wesley W. Posvar and Director of Athletics Cas Myslinski announced Majors' hiring at a campus press conference, they had no idea how dramatic—and how sudden—that turnaround would be. Pitt posted a 6-4-1 regular season mark, including impressive wins against West Virginia, Syracuse, Boston College, Army and Navy. A freshman halfback named Tony Dorsett set the college football world on its ear by rushing for 1,686 yards. Pitt tied Georgia, 7-7, in the first game of the Majors Era, as Dorsett rushed for exactly 100 yards. The foundation had been laid—and the catalyst found—for near-future greatness.

Chancellor Wesley Posvar (left) and Athletic Director Cas Myslinski (right) introduce 37-year-old John Majors as Pitt's 27th head football coach at a 1972 press conference.

With a winning season in 1973 as a building block, expectations were high for the 1974 Panthers. Pitt opened with road victories at Florida State and Georgia Tech, setting up an intersectional battle against Southern California at Pitt Stadium. The game was billed as a meeting between "T.D. East" (Dorsett) and "T.D. West" (USC's Anthony Davis), but the Trojans dominated the Panthers more than the final 16-7 score indicated. Davis gained 149 yards rushing to Dorsett's 59. Pitt lost at North Carolina the following week but bounced back to win five straight games, including an exciting 35-24 home decision against Temple. That day, Dorsett missed the only game of his collegiate career because of injury, but freshman Elliott Walker stepped in and ran for 169 yards and four touchdowns. The following week, Pitt came close to scoring its first win against Notre Dame since 1963, but Irish quarterback Tom Clements (a Pittsburgh product) scored on a short run with three minutes remaining to put ND up, 14-10. Pitt senior quarterback Bob Medwid, playing in place of the injured Billy Daniels, led the Panthers on a last-ditch march to the Irish 20, but a flurry of end zone passes fell incomplete, and Pitt would have to wait another year to defeat the Fighting Irish. Sophomore placekicker Carson Long booted a 52-yard field goal in the third quarter to give Pitt its first second-half lead against the Irish since the '63 affair. The Panthers' 1974 Thanksgiving Night game against Penn State at Three Rivers Stadium was Pitt's first network telecast since 1965, but the Lions spoiled the evening for Pitt, defeating the Panthers, 31-10. Dorsett ended the season with 1,004 yards, and became Pitt's all-time leading rusher in only his second season of competition. The '74 Panthers finished with a 7-4 record, but did not receive a bowl invitation, the only time during

Majors (kneeling), with his original Pitt coaching staff. From left to right: Harry Jones, Bobby Roper, Jim Dyar, Larry Holton, Jackie Sherrill, Bob Matey, George Haffner, Joe Avezzano, Bob Leahy, Joe Madden, and Keith Schroeder.

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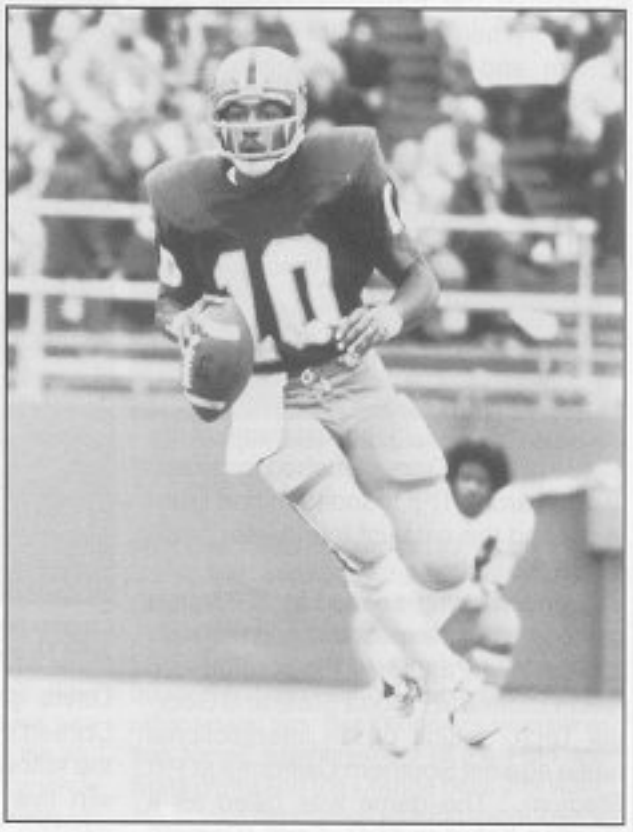
1975: "THE YEAR OF THE VEER"



The 1975 season was known as the "Year of the Veer." With the explosive one-two backfield punch of Tony Dorsett and Elliott Walker (pictured above), plus speedy, shifty junior quarterback Robert Haygood (right), Pitt practically had three running backs in its offense.

Majors' first Pittsburgh stay that the Panthers did not go bowling.

With the explosive one-two backfield punch of Tony Dorsett and Elliott Walker, plus speedy, shifty junior quarterback Robert Haygood, the 1975 season became known as the "Year of the Veer." The Panthers opened the season with a 19-9 victory at Georgia before venturing to Oklahoma, where they were defeated by the Sooners, 46-10, the worst loss during the first Majors Era. Dorsett ran for a career-low 17 yards on 12 carries. Pitt rebounded to post back-to-back shutouts of William & Mary and Duke, before the offense erupted in a 55-6 victory against Temple at Veterans Stadium, then in a 52-20 rout of Army at West Point. In that game, Dorsett rushed for a school-record 268 yards in less than three quarters of action. But Pitt's balloon burst the following week as Navy spoiled Homecoming '75 with a 17-0 upset of the Panthers with Haygood going down with an injury late in the game. Sophomore Matt Cavanaugh made his first collegiate start the following week, a 38-0 shutout win at Syracuse. The Panthers lost at West Virginia, 17-14, the next week, but came back to defeat Notre Dame, 34-20, with Dorsett running for 303 yards. Pitt lost another heartbreaker, 7-6, to Penn State at Three Rivers Stadium. The Panthers finished their 1975 season as Haygood, Dorsett and Walker each topped 100 yards rushing as Pitt defeated Kansas, 33-19, at the Sun Bowl in El Paso, Texas, setting the stage for the 1976 season.

With 18 of the 22 starters returning from the 1975 season, a few brave souls (none of the pollsters) dared to predict that Pitt would win the 1976 national championship. The '75 Panthers ended the season ranked in both wire service polls for the first since 1963. And with a veteran team led by senior Tony Dorsett, the Panthers appeared to be a better-than-even choice against each of their 11 scheduled opponents. Pitt was originally scheduled to visit Notre Dame in mid-October, but ABC television officials, recognizing an intriguing matchup when they saw one, persuaded both schools to open the season on Sept. 11 in South Bend. Pitt's 31-10 victory, highlighted by Dorsett's 181-yard rushing performance, provided the perfect forum from which the Panthers could state their case to the nation — and the pollsters. The convincing win was the springboard to the most memorable season in modern Pitt football history. Along the way, Dorsett became the school's first—and only—Heisman Trophy winner, as well as the leading ground gainer in NCAA Division I-A history; Carson Long became the nation's all-time leading scorer; and Pitt went undefeated for

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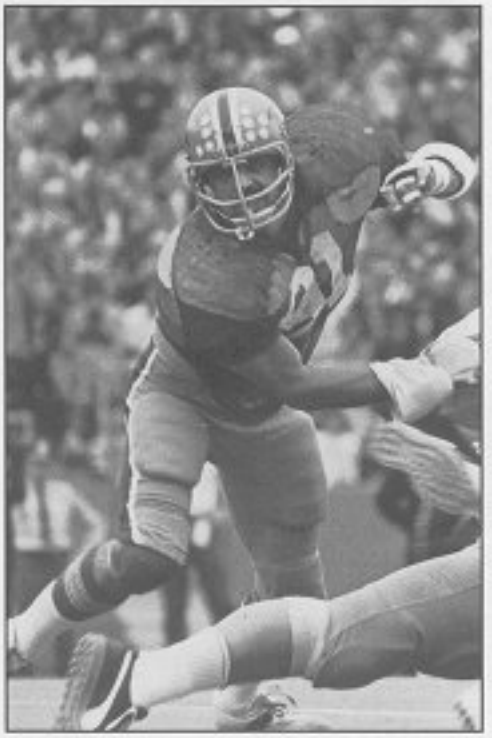
the first time since the 1937 Panthers of Coach Jock Sutherland. Prior to Pitt's Sugar Bowl victory against Georgia that gave the Panthers the national championship, Majors announced his decision to leave Pitt at the end of the season to return to coach his alma mater, Tennessee, where he stayed as head coach through the 1992 season.

On Dec. 11, 1992, Majors was reintroduced as Pitt's new football coach. In 1993, the Panthers exceeded preseason expectations by winning three games, including two dramatic victories on ESPN Thursday night telecasts against favored Southern Mississippi and Rutgers.

The 1994 Panthers compiled an identical record of 3-8. The team's improvement, though, was apparent; Pitt was in virtually every game and had an opportunity to win at least three of their defeats Louisville (33-29), West Virginia (47-41), and Miami (17-12) late in the game.

Majors' Pittsburgh coaching career ended following the 1996 season, when Majors announced his resignation. Ironically, it was the best season of his second tour at Pittsburgh. The Panthers finished with a 4-7 record and tied for its most Big East wins in a season (3).



Al Romano (left) and Gary Burley (right) were two of Pitt's star defensive linemen during Majors' first four years at Pitt and helped forge Pitt's defensive reputation, which became a model for college football through the mid-1980s. Romano was a three-year starter along Pitt's under-rated defensive front from1974-76. Burley, a junior-college transfer from Texas, solidified Pitt's defensive line during Majors' first two seasons at Pitt before going on to a standout NFL career with the Cincinnati Bengals.

Majors' first four seasons at Pitt were capped with the national championship in 1976, when the team finished with a 12-0 record and defeated Georgia in the Sugar Bowl, 27-3. After that game, Majors made the triumphant ride on his players' shoulders.

Sixteen years later Majors returned to Pitt in hopes of returning the Panthers to national prominence.

Sherrill's Panthers: Beasts of the East

The Sporting News in 1987 selected the 25 greatest college football teams of all time. The 1980-81 Pitt teams, selected as a tandem entry, ranked 12th. Pitt's 1976 national championship squad was tabbed the 17th-best team in history.

In *The Sporting News'* tribute to the 1980 and 1981 Panthers, writer Phil Axelrod recalled a poignant moment just prior to the start of the 1980 season: "Jackie Sherrill was in a mischievous mood when he pitted college football's most overpowering defense against one of its most explosive offenses on that sultry summer afternoon in 1980.

"A sharp blast from his whistle halted practice and sent players scurrying into a huddle at midfield. Sherrill walked to the 1-yard line, put down a ball, and smiled. 'First-team offense, first-team defense,' he barked. 'Get out there.' Hugh Green, Rickey Jackson, and the rest of the Panthers' defensive crew strapped on their helmets and sauntered into position. Stoically, Dan Marino, Mark May, and Russ Grimm led the offense into position for battle.

"'I knew it would be a war," Sherrill recalled. "'There was a lot of talent on that field. A lot of pride, too.'

"Marino took the snap from center, spun to his right and planted the ball into the midsection of 230-pound fullback Randy McMillan. The lines collided with a thunderous crash and McMillan lunged toward the goal line, grinding his torso through a maze of tangled shoulder pads.

"The offensive players shot their arms skyward to signal a touchdown. The defense stomped up and down in celebration.

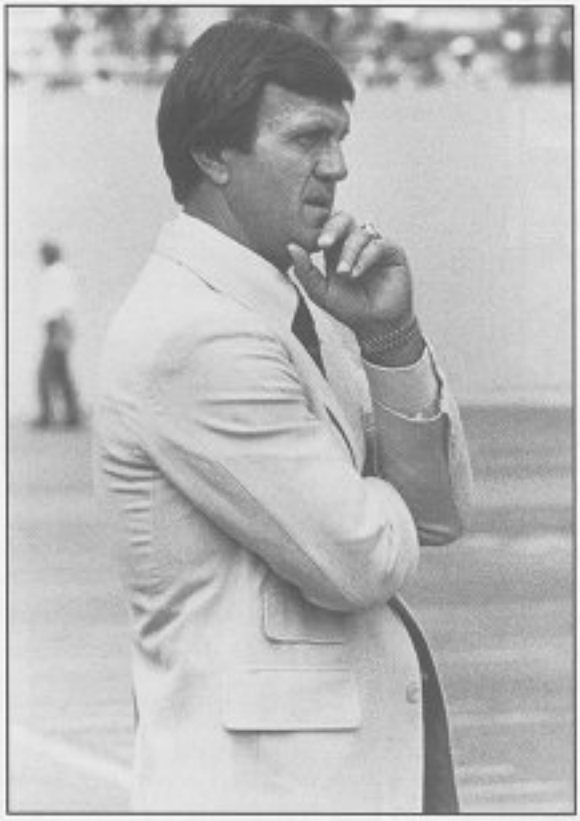
"'We stuffed it,' remembered linebacker Sal Sunseri. "No way did they make it. They thought they made it."

"After a brief scuffle, Sherrill's directive clarified matters. Obediently, Marino and Co. tramped off to run laps as the howling defenders sprinted to the locker room.

"That was the final play of the final scrimmage of fall camp. It was also the first, and last time Sherrill pitted his first-team offense against his starting defense. 'I didn't do it again because I didn't want them to hurt each other,' he said. 'They really went after each other.'"

The collection of talent Pitt had in the early 1980s was almost unfathomable. Wrote Axelrod:

"The names roll off the tongue, a litany of All-America and All-Pro talent. Hugh Green, Rickey Jackson, Dan Marino, Russ Grimm, Jimbo Covert, Carlton Williamson, Bill Maas, Bill Fralic, Mark May, Sal Sunseri.



Coach Jackie Sherrill still has the best coaching record percentage in Pittsburgh football history, compiling a .833 winning percentage (50-9-1) in five seasons.

"That was the best football team ever assembled, talent-wise," Sherrill said of his 1980 squad. "They get a lot better when you sit back and look at what they've done. Never, ever, has a team produced that many great players."

"I have never seen a college defense like that," Foge Fazio, then the Panthers' defensive coordinator, said of those Pitt squads. "It was an attacking defense. They shut people down and took the ball away from them."

Green and Jackson, the defensive ends in 1980, were quiet assassins. Linemates Greg Meisner, Bill Neill and Jerry Boyarsky howled like wild animals as they lined up over the ball. The middle three linemen in '81—Dave Puzzuoli, J.C. Pelusi and Maas—were known as the "Pac-Men."

"'The huddles were wild," Sunseri said. "We knew what we had. We knew we had the No. 1 defense in the country. We dominated teams.

"We knew there was not a tackle in the country faster than Meisner. There was nobody from a technique standpoint better than Neill. There was not a better nose guard than Boyarsky. And when you looked outside, my God, there was Hugh Green on one side, and there was Rickey Jackson on the other.

"What I had to do was clog up the middle and bounce people outside to the All-Pros."

All five starters in Pitt's defensive front in 1980—Green, Jackson, Boyarsky, Meisner, and Neill—went on to become starters in the NFL as rookies, but that 1980 defense had some additional TNT behind it, including Sunseri, a first¬team All-American, and safety Carlton Williamson, who would start for the Super Bowl champion San Francisco 49ers in 1981.

Marino and fellow quarterback Rick Trocano, running backs McMillan and Bryan Thomas, and receivers Julius Dawkins and Dwight Collins gave the Panthers great strength at the skill positions. But it was an immensely gifted group in the engine room—the offensive line coached by Joe Moore—that provided the foundation for success for those teams.

"There were games when my uniform never got dirty," said Marino. "There were games when I never hit the ground. That's incredible."

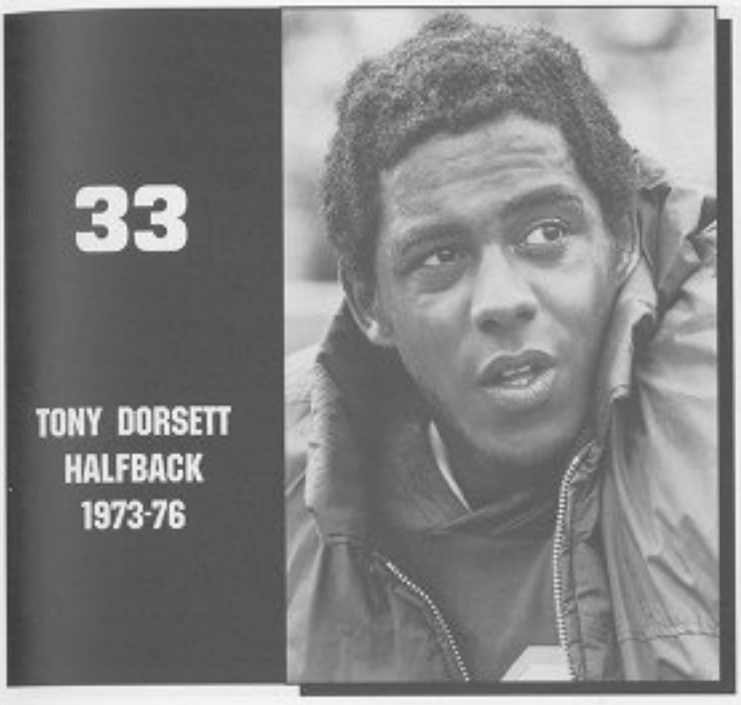
Marino's mammoth wall of protection in 1980 included tackles Jim Covert and Mark May, who won the Outland Trophy; guards Emil Boures, Rob Fada, Ron Sams and Paul Dunn; and center Russ Grimm.

"I don't know if anybody'd ever had a line like that," said Moore. "They were mean. They were tough. They beat people up. Grimm was the leader. He was all business when he put on his helmet. He was a total football player."

When future All-Pros Covert, May, and Grimm departed for the NFL, along with Sams, Fada and Boures, there were some richly talented replacements waiting in the wings, including Jim Sweeney, a great lineman at Pitt who went on to have an outstanding career as a center for the New York Jets, and Bill Fralic, a three-time All-American who was one of the finest college linemen in the history of the game.

"I don't know if Pitt, or anybody else, will ever have that many great athletes at the same time," said Jackie Sherrill of his Pitt teams in the early 1980s. "We had a great player at every position on the field, offense and defense. We didn't have a weakness in those years."

Pittsburgh's Retired Jerseys



In 1973, a skinny freshman tailback from Hopewell High School in Aliquippa, Pennsylvania, named Tony Dorsett, began a career at Pitt that would lead to a national championship, the Heisman Trophy and individual acclaim as the greatest running back in the history of college football.

In his fabulous four-year career at Pitt, Dorsett set or tied 18 collegiate rushing records — more than any other player in the history of college football. He established the NCAA's all-time career rushing record with 6,082 yards. (His overall total at Pitt, including his yardage from three bowl games, was 6,526.)

Dorsett added to his list of impressive accolades by being named to both the college and pro football Halls of Fame.

He was the first major college back to compile four 1,000-yard seasons. He became the first freshman consensus All-American since 1944 and was the first sophomore ever named to the Playboy All-America team.

Pitt had finished 1-10 in 1972, the year before Dorsett entered Pitt. As a freshman in 1973, Dorsett burst on the college scene with 100 yards rushing against Georgia in Pitt's opening game. In the 1973 regular season, he went on to rush for 1,586 yards, the most ever by a college freshman, while recording the first 1,000-yard season in Pitt history. He helped lead Pitt to a 6-5-1 record and a berth in the Fiesta Bowl.

In only his 15th game, early in his sophomore season, he broke Marshall Goldberg's Pitt career rushing record of 1,957 yards. He rushed for 1,004 yards as a sophomore.

As a junior in 1975, he rushed for 1,544 yards in the regular season, including a memorable 303-yard performance against Notre Dame.

In the final seven games of his senior season, as Pitt was charging toward the national championship, he averaged 215 yards rushing per game en route to leading the nation in rushing with 1,948 yards. Having finished fourth in the Heisman balloting as a junior in 1975, Dorsett became Pitt's first Heisman Trophy winner in 1976. He earned 701 of a possible 842 first-place votes for an overall total of 2,357 points, finishing far ahead of second-place finisher Ricky Bell of USC (1,346 points).

The 5-11, 192-pound Dorsett was a magical optical illusion, blending his 4.3 speed, supernatural acceleration and Houdini-like escape artistry with open-field cutting so superbly executed it tended to escape detection by the naked eye.

As teammate Al Romano once put it, "I hate to practice against him. Trying to tackle him is like trying to catch a fly."

One revealing measure of his greatness occurred late in his senior season against Penn State. At halftime, with the game tied 7-7, Head Coach Johnny Majors decided to switch Dorsett, who despite scoring one touchdown had pretty much been held in check by the Nittany Lions in the first half, from tailback to fullback.

Dorsett wound up rushing for 173 yards and scoring a touchdown in the second half as Pitt coasted to a 24-7 win. Dorsett finished with 224 yards rushing, and his two touchdowns enabled him to break a 30-year- old-record set by Glenn Davis of Army. Dorsett scored 356 points in his four seasons, two more than Davis, the 1946 Heisman Trophy winner, had in his four campaigns as a Cadet.

"I didn't think they could run up the gut like that on us," said Penn State Head Coach Joe Paterno. "I didn't think I'd see Dorsett at fullback. We just weren't ready for the unbalanced stuff."

Asked to describe Dorsett in more detail, Paterno simply said, "How many ways can you say great?"

Pitt Head Coach Johnny Majors said it differently.

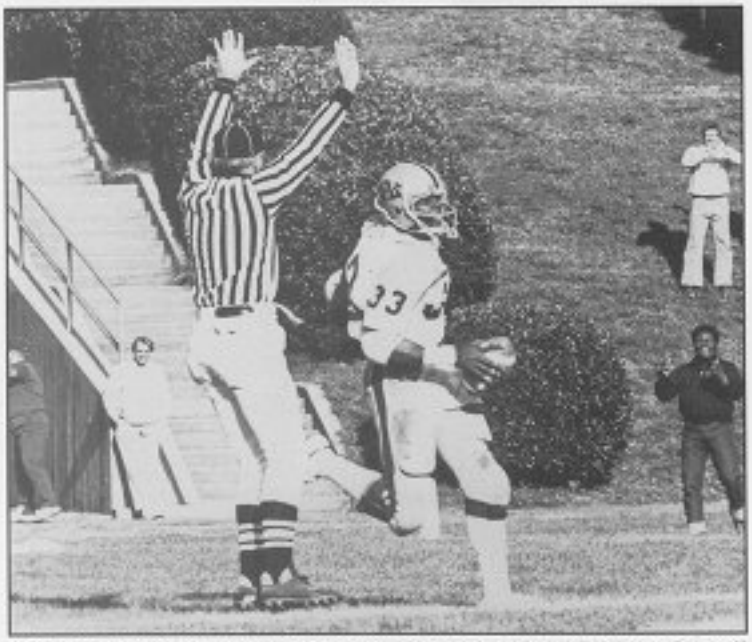
"I could coach another 100 years and never get the opportunity to coach another back like Dorsett," he said. "I consider it an honor to be his college coach."

With Dorsett setting a Sugar Bowl record by rushing for 202 yards, Pitt went on to crush Georgia, 27-3, to become the first Eastern team since Syracuse in 1959 to win the national championship.

"We had accomplished our mission," Dorsett said. "I think back to those college days often, and I can't help but smile. I've never had more fun in my life. We were a part of history. We helped save Pitt football."

Twenty-two years later, Anthony Dorsett Jr., son of Pitt's only Heisman Trophy winner, continued the Dorsett legacy as a defensive back (1992-95).

Dorsett's number 33 Pitt jersey was retired in 1976.



With this touchdown run at Navy on October 23, 1976, Tony Dorsett became NCAA college football's all-time rushing leader. The Panthers won the game, 45-0.

Pittsburgh's Retired Jerseys

Of all the kudos directed at quarterback Dan Marino during his four-year career at Pitt from 1979-82, this one from Florida State Head Coach Bobby Bowden summed Marino up best: "He's a pro quarterback in college, really."

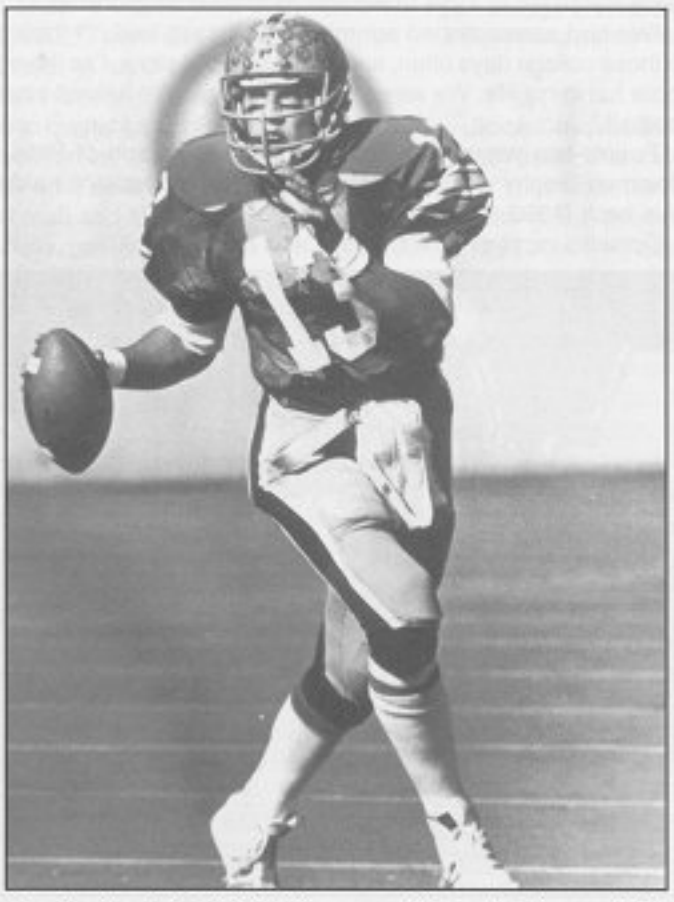
Marino, a hometown hero who attended Central Catholic High School in the shadow of the Pitt campus in Oakland, was one of the most eagerly sought high school athletes in the country, both for his immense football skills and his baseball ability.

Marino was a bona fide Major League Baseball prospect, both as a pitcher and a shortstop, and was drafted in the fourth round in 1979 by the Kansas City Royals, who projected him as a third baseman or outfielder. But he decided to cast his lot with footballand with Pitt, and by the time he graduated in 1983, he had become Pitt's all-time passing leader with 8,597 yards and 79 touchdown passes.

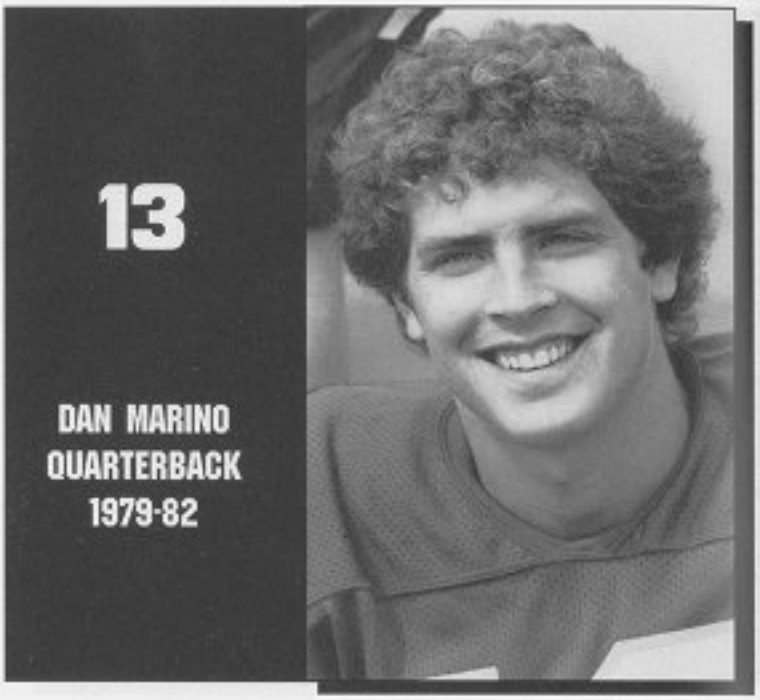
"Dan Marino is the best quarterback I've ever coached against at the collegiate level," said Penn State Head Coach Joe Paterno.

The 6-4, 215-pound All-American had a rocket-launching right arm and a lightning release. Marino was a classic drop-back quarterback. But his success as a quarterback and as a leader transcended his physical skills.

In 1979, Marino led the Panthers to a Fiesta Bowl victory after replacing injured Rick Trocano in the season's seventh game. He set a Pitt freshman record with 1,680 yards passing. Marino also led the Panthers to two difficult road victories against rivals West Virginia (24-7) and Penn State (29-14), and a 16-10 win against Arizona in the Fiesta Bowl.



Dan Marino finished his Pitt career with a school-record 79 touchdown passes.



As a sophomore in 1980 he was one of the country's leading passers until he was sidelined with a knee injury, and in a twist of fate, was replaced by Trocano, who had been starting at free safety. Marino had guided the Panthers to victories in five of their first six games. Even though he missed the rest of the regular season, Marino still finished with 1,513 yards and 14 touchdowns.

But it was his magical junior season in 1981 that truly earmarked him for greatness and put him on a path that one day surely will lead to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton.

Marino passed for 2,876 yards and a school-record 37 touchdowns that year, leading Pitt to its third consecutive 11-1 record. He also set a single-game record by throwing for six touchdowns against South Carolina. He enhanced his reputation for delivering in the clutch in the 1982 Sugar Bowl, when he fired a 33-yard touchdown pass to tight end John Brown with just 35 seconds remaining in the game to give Pitt a pulsating, come-from-behind 24-20 victory over Georgia. That victory put the icing on the winningest three-year stretch in Pitt history— three consecutive 11-1 seasons for a combined record of 33-3. It was also the third consecutive bowl victory for the Panthers, who defeated Arizona, 16-10, in the Fiesta Bowl to close the 1979 season and crushed South Carolina, 37-9, in the 1980 Gator Bowl.

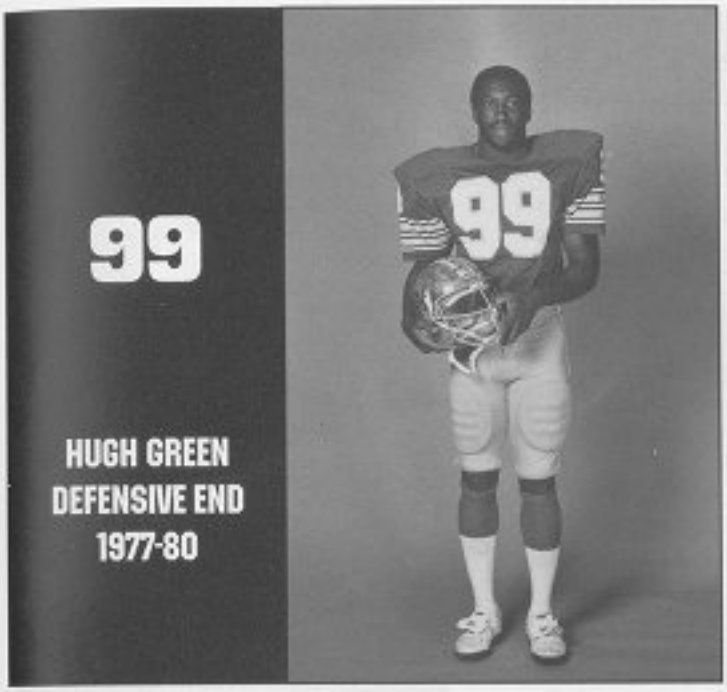
Marino closed out his career at Pitt in 1982 by passing for 2,432 yards, the fourth-highest single-season total in Pitt history, and 17 touchdowns, as Pitt, under new Head Coach Foge Fazio, finished 9-3, including a loss to SMU in the Cotton Bowl.

A first-round draft pick by the Miami Dolphins in 1983, Marino has rewritten many of the NFL's passing records and has been selected to the Pro Bowl eight times, six as the starting quarterback.

He currently holds 22 NFL records and shares six other marks. In 1995, Marino became the NFL's all-time passing leader in both career passing yardage and career touchdown passes (48,841 yards and 352 TDs), surpassing Fran Tarkenton in both categories.

Marino had his number 13 Pitt jersey retired in 1982.

Pittsburgh's Retired Jerseys



"People were petrified of (Hugh) Green. But they couldn't run away from him because we had Rickey Jackson on the other side of the line."

—Sal Sunseri
Pitt All-American

Hugh Green was an amazing player, arguably, the most devastating defensive end in collegiate history. One of the most complete packages of speed, quickness, strength and savvy ever to play the college game, Green started every game but one in his four-year career at Pitt. What Tony Dorsett meant to Pitt's offense, Hugh Green had made that much impact on the defense.

In his debut against Notre Dame as a freshman in 1977, he served notice of what was to come by racking up 11 tackles, a blocked punt and two sacks against the eventual national champions.

His mere presence could control an entire game, something the pro scouts noticed.

Tampa Bay Buccaneers scouting director Ken Herock said: "He was used like the MX missile, rotating from standup defensive end to all four linebacker positions, waiting for the proper time to explode. They disguised him so he could make plays, they moved him around a lot so that when the other team came up to the line of scrimmage, they'd say,'Where's Green?'"

"People were petrified of Green," Sunseri said. "But they couldn't run away from him because we had Rickey Jackson on the other side of the line."

Even when teams did try to run away from Green, it was usually fruitless.

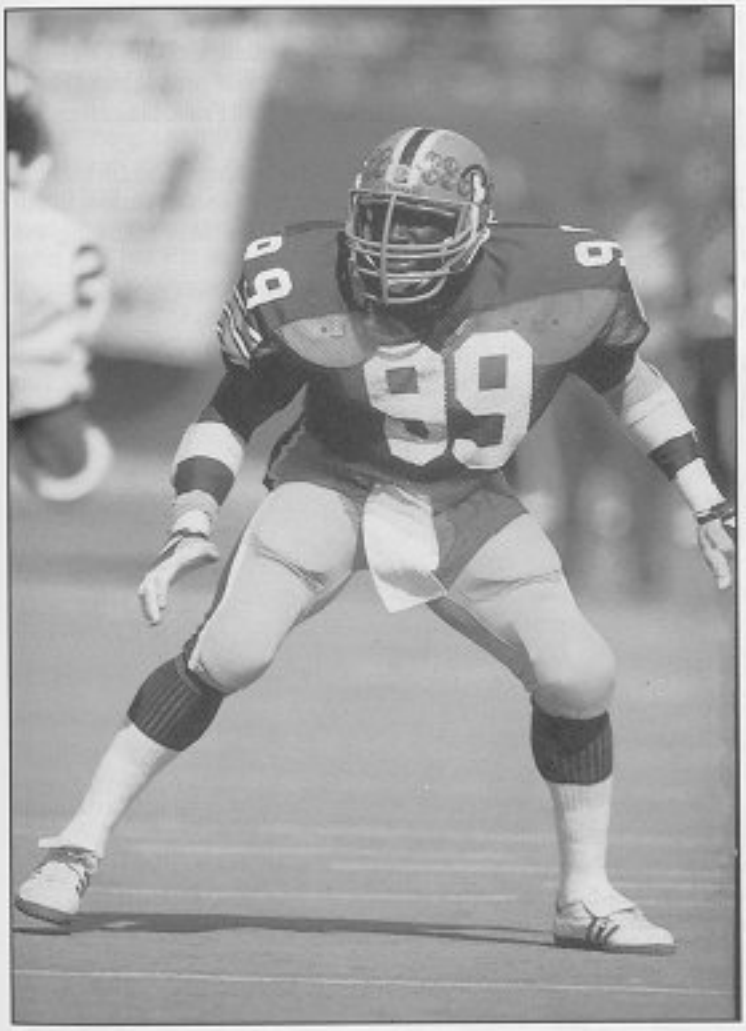
"I remember watching from the sidelines," said John Brown, a sophomore tight end on that 1980 team. "He'd be lined up on one side, and the other team would run a sweep wide to the opposite side. All of a sudden Green would just fly across the field and the runner would just disappear in a big roll of dust, and then you'd see Green — with his eyes real wide—just standing over the guy. He was awesome."

The rest of the country agreed. Green, Pitt's all-time career quarterback sack leader with 53, won the 1980 Maxwell Award as college football's outstanding player and the Lombardi Award as the nation's outstanding lineman. He was the UPI Player of the Year and was second to South Carolina's George Rogers in the Heisman Trophy balloting—the highest finish ever by a purely defensive player.

Green was a first-round draft pick by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 1981 and was traded to the Miami Dolphins in 1985. He was named twice to the AFC-NFC Pro Bowl.

Green's number 99 Pitt jersey was retired during the final home game of the 1980 season.

This past January, Green was selected for induction into the College Football Hall of Fame becoming the 18th Pitt player or coach to receive this recognition. He was honored during the Hall of Fame's annual banquet on Dec. 10, 1996, in New York City.

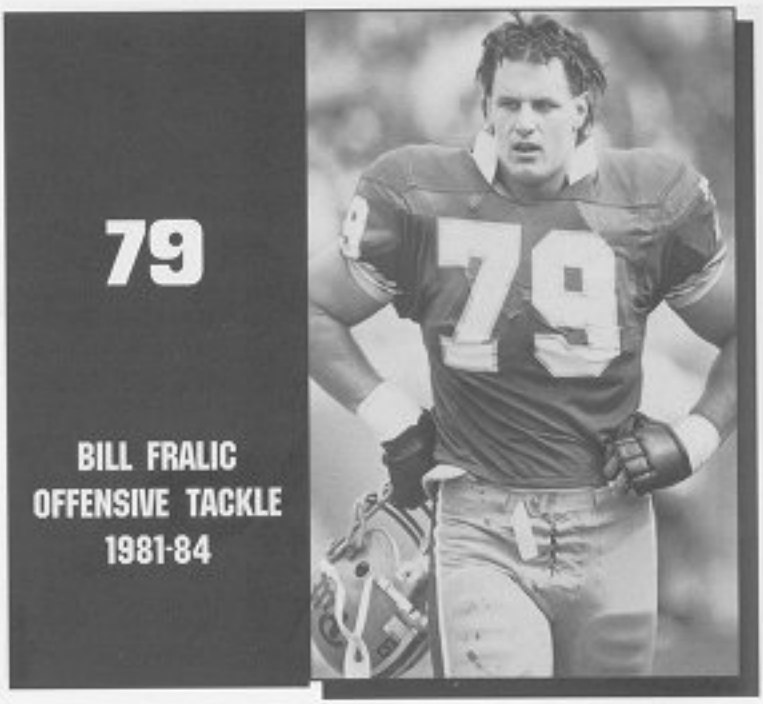


Green won the 1980 Maxwell and Lombardi Awards, and finished second in the Heisman Trophy balloting.

Pittsburgh's Retired Jerseys

"Forget Superman. He's the sissy who has to leap over tall buildings. Fralic knocks them down."

-Joe Gilmartin,
The Phoenix Gazette



It must have been a disguise.

The baby boy born to William and Dorothy Fralic on Halloween of 1962 tipped the scales at seven pounds, three ounces. Who could have predicted ***this*** growth rate?

At the age of nine, Billy Fralic weighed 175 pounds. As an eighth grader, he stood 6-foot-3 and weighed 235 pounds. And tales of his size are now almost as numerous (and legendary) as what he has accomplished in athletics.

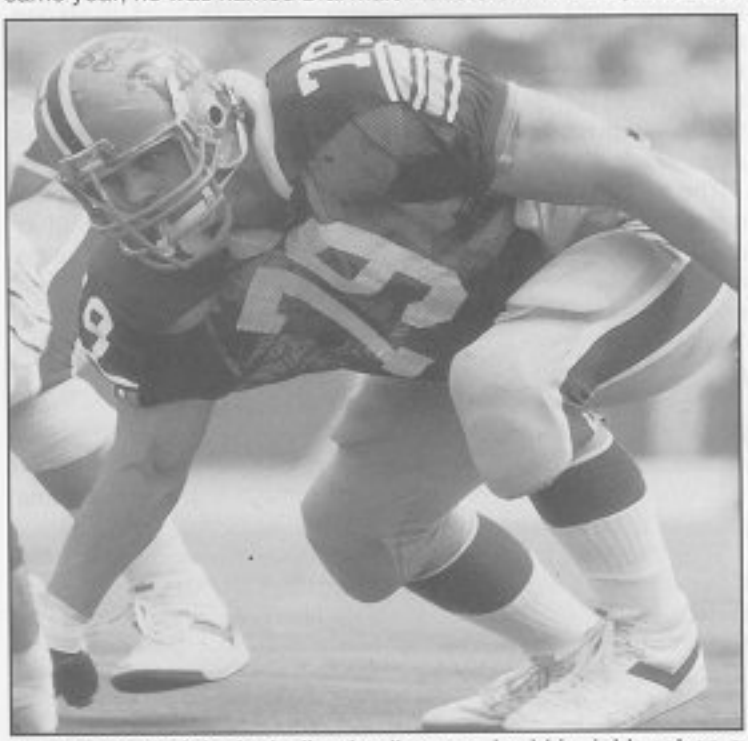
"I've always been big," Fralic told former UPI writer Pohla Smith during an interview from Fralic's playing days at Pitt. "I was always the biggest guy in my class—even in grade school."

At the age of 13, Fralic developed a passion for weightlifting. Somewhat envious of his older brothers Mike and Joe, who would also grow up to play college football, young Bill wanted to pump the iron and develop his frame as well, even to the point of enlisting Mrs. Fralic to serve as spotter if the two older boys weren't around.

Andy Urbanic, who was the football coach at Penn Hills, and then an assistant at Pitt during part of Fralic's career with the Panthers, remembers the uncommon dedication in Bill.

"I never remember a kid who had such specific goals at such an early age," Urbanic said. "He not only wanted to be a football player, but an offensive tackle in the NFL."

Fralic became the first sophomore ever to letter at Penn Hills, where he also became the WPIAL heavyweight wrestling champion as a junior and a *Parade* football All-American as a senior. That same year, he was named Dial Male Athlete-of-the-Year, the same honor which went to Herschel Walker the year before.



Bill Fralic, a prototypical offensive lineman, had his sights set on a playing career at an early age.

Considering his prolific career and reputation as an offensive lineman, few may remember that Fralic's initial preseason (1981) camp at Pitt included a persistent question: 'Will Fralic play offensive or defensive line?'

Offensive line coach Joe Moore was the happiest man in training camp when it was resolved to play Fralic at offensive tackle, in the spot vacated by Outland Trophy winner Mark May following the 1980 season.

Following the Panthers' 1983 win against Notre Dame in South Bend, the accolades began to pick up in intensity.

"It's [playing against Fralic] something I can tell my kids 30 years from now," said Notre Dame defensive lineman Eric Dorsey. "I've read so much about him; it's like playing against a god. When you think of Pitt, you think of Bill Fralic."

Said Pitt Coach Foge Fazio: "I haven't seen a better offensive lineman as a player or as a coach. I can't believe anybody can be better than Bill."

And from his line coach, Joe Moore, one of the nation's most highly respected teachers at that position: "Bill Fralic is the best. If you can find somebody better, bring him to me. I've been privileged to coach some good ones here. But none better than Bill Fralic. Those kind only pass through once."

Fralic was a three-time All-American for the Panthers and was the only underclassman to be among the four finalists for the Lombardi Trophy as a junior in 1983.

For Fralic's senior year, in an effort to find a tangible tool for Fralic's accomplishments, the Pitt Sports Information Office conceived the "Pancake," a statistical barometer for each time Fralic put an opposing defensive lineman on his back. An intern monitored every Pitt offensive play to determine the number of times the Panthers ran the play over Fralic's position. In a 1983 game at Maryland, Pitt ran 11 consecutive plays over its star tackle.

One of the first players selected in the 1985 NFL draft, Fralic was a four-time All-Pro member of the Atlanta Falcons.

Fralic's number 79 Pitt jersey was retired in 1984.

Pittsburgh's Retired Jerseys

When he accepted the offer to become Pittsburgh's new athletic director, one of the positives Steve Pederson talked about was the University's rich football tradition.

Pederson acted quickly to see that three of the greatest players in Pitt's long and storied history had a permanent legacy established in honor of their accomplishments on the gridiron. At a press conference last April to introduce the Panthers' 1997 football schedule, Pederson announced that Marshall Goldberg, Joe Schmidt and Mike Ditka would have their jerseys retired at the Panthers' Sept. 18 Homecoming contest versus Miami at Pitt Stadium.

Ditka (#89), Goldberg (#42) and Schmidt (#89) now join four other Pitt greats—Dan Marino (#13), Tony Dorsett (#33), Bill Fralic (#79) and Hugh Green (#99), whose Pitt jerseys have been retired.

"The retirement of these three players' jerseys is long overdue," said Pederson. "I believe it is only appropriate that three of the greatest football players in Pitt history have their jerseys retired and join the prestigious group of Panther football greats whose jerseys have already been retired."

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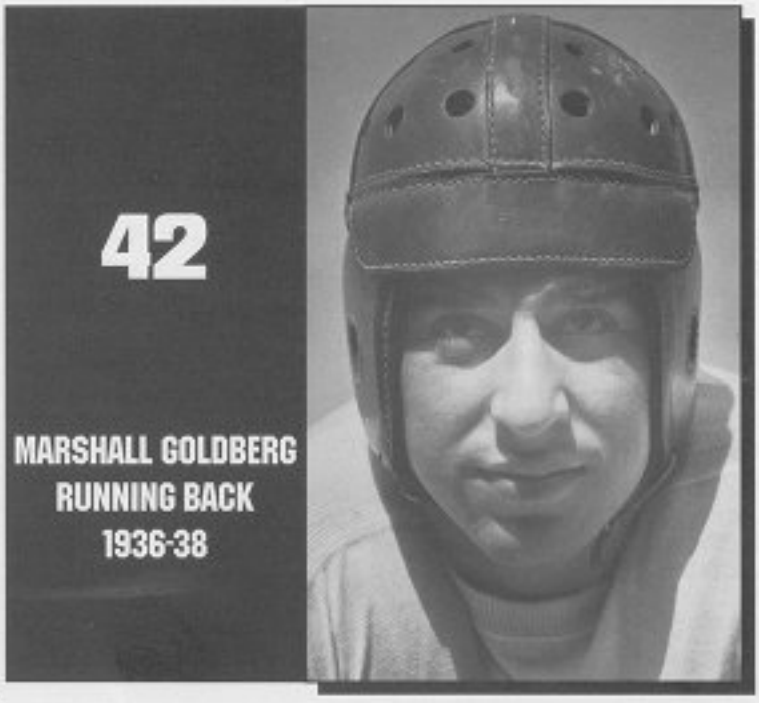
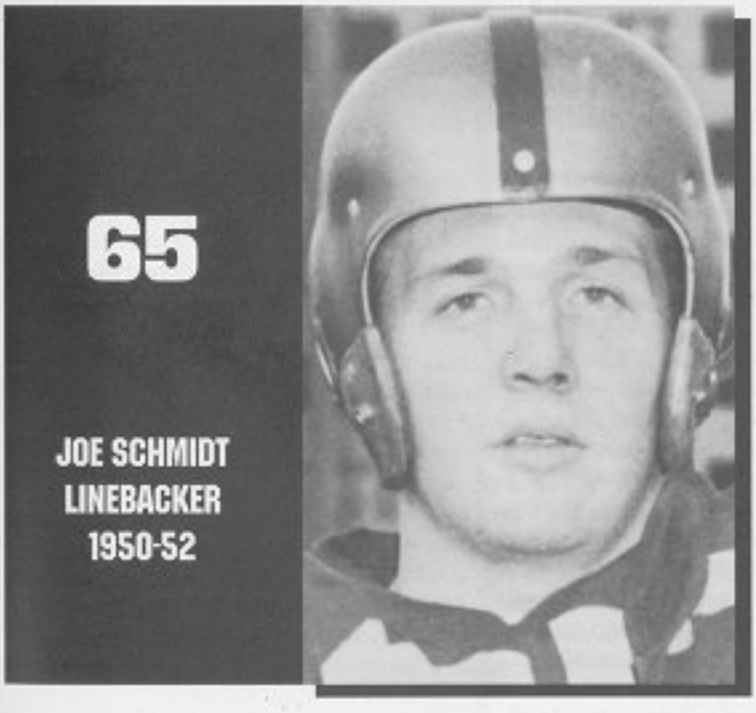


Goldberg, who lettered for the Panthers from 1936-38, was the school's most prominent and publicized running back until Tony Dorsett arrived in 1973. He was Pittsburgh's all-time leading rusher until Dorsett surpassed his 1,957-yard total during the 1974 season. Goldberg played two years at halfback and one season at fullback for the Panthers, who were perennial national powers during that era.

Goldberg's name is synonymous with the greateast backfield in Pittsburgh football history—the "Dream Backfield."

In 1938, Head Coach Jock Sutherland was in a situation where he had an embarrassment of backfield riches. The unselfish Goldberg, who had led Pitt in rushing in 1936 (886 yards) and in 1937 (698 yards), readily agreed to relinquish his starting left halfback post to the talented, fuzzy-haired comet, Dick Cassiano. With John Chickerneo operating asthe No. 1 quarterback, and Curly Stebbins entrenched at right halfback, what became known as the Panthers' "Dream Backfield" was in place.

Following his graduation from Pittsburgh, Goldberg embarked upon a nine-year playing career in the NFL with the Chicago Cardinals. Goldberg, who was president of his own machinery company in Illinois for many years, still lives in suburban Chicago. He attended the press conference in Pittsburgh last April when the announcement of the jersey retirements was made.



Schmidt starred for the Panthers from 1950 to 1952, and played for four different head coaches at Pitt. After starting his career as a fullback and guard, Schmidt moved to linebacker, where he earned All-America honors and established himself as a prototype for years to come.

At Pittsburgh, he displayed the skills of anticipation, split-second defensive instincts and deadly tackling that made him an eight-time All-Pro with the Lions.

What made Schmidt's accomplishments so remarkable was that his college career was rife with injuries. As a freshman, he broke two ribs. In his sophomore season, he broke his wrist in spring practice and separated his shoulder in the fall. As a junior, he badly wrenched his knee in the preseason. As a senior in 1952, he tore knee cartilage in the opening game against Iowa and then came back two weeks later against Notre Dame, in which he received a concussion and hemorrhage that put him in the hospital for 10 days.

But when he was on the field, he was a force to behold.

Schmidt went on to the NFL, where he enjoyed a brilliant 13-year career as a member of the Detroit Lions, who won two NFL championships during that period. Following his playing career, which earned him a spot in the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Schmidt served briefly as an assistant coach for the Lions and then as head coach from 1967-1972, leading Detroit to its only playoff appearance in the 1970s.

He still lives in the Detroit area.

Pittsburgh's Retired Jerseys

One of the legendary figures in Pittsburgh football history is Mike Ditka, who played under John Michelosen from 1958-60.

Ditka will be one of three former Panther greats whose jerseys will be retired during ceremonies at the Sept. 18 Homecoming game against Miami. The other two are running back Marshall Goldberg and linebacker Joe Schmidt.

"Iron Mike" was a fierce tight end and defensive lineman for the Panthers, whose immense athletic skills and competitive drive earned him All-America honors at Pitt. He led the Panthers in receiving for three straight years.

Ditka then went on, of course, to earn All-Pro honors as a tight end in the NFL and was eventually selected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame. He was a member of the Chicago Bears' 1963 NFL championship team and the Dallas Cowboys' Super Bowl VI champions. He also worked as an assistant coach for the Cowboys for nine seasons and was part of another Dallas Super Bowl championship squad.

As the coach of the Chicago Bears for 11 seasons, Ditka rebuilt that franchise into an NFL power. The Bears won Super Bowl XX under Ditka, and he took the Bears to the NFC Championship Game three times. He returned to the NFL coaching ranks in 1997 as the head coach of the New Orleans Saints.

But it was at Pitt that Ditka first earned fame for his competitive fury and relentless will to win.

"You'd see him in the huddle, or on the sidelines waiting to get back onto the field, and you knew just by looking at him he was ready," remembers Foge Fazio, a teammate of Ditka's who later served as Pitt's head coach in the mid-1980s. "He was always ready. He was like a prize fighter in the ring. He just couldn't wait for that bell to ring and get back out there."

Ernie Hefferle, who coached the ends under Michelosen during Ditka's Pitt career, said this about Ditka: "He was the damnedest player I ever came across; you get one in a lifetime if you're lucky. He used to forearm our own guys in practice. He used to complain that our practices weren't tough enough. He wanted more hitting. All he wanted to do was hit, hit, hit."

Ditka was a three-sport athlete at Pitt. He was a baseball outfielder and was a forward on the Panther basketball team. Bob Timmons coached Ditka in both football and basketball at Pitt. "He'll hit the first guy he sees," said Timmons. That was in both sports.

Ditka was also the intramural wrestling champion at Pitt. Rex Peery, the Panthers' legendary wrestling coach, was convinced Ditka could have been an NCAA wrestling champion had he wrestled on the varsity.

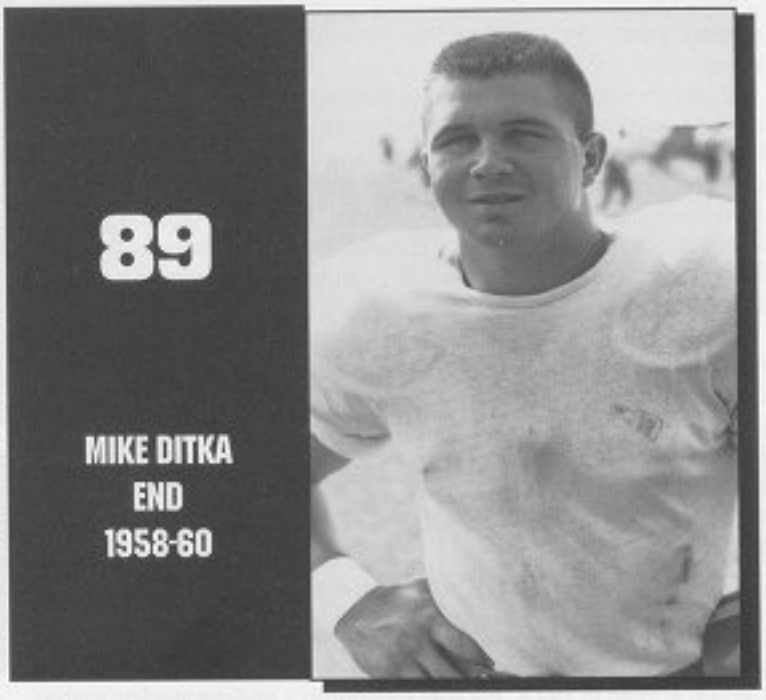
Ditka was a tenacious, incendiary competitor. He was not diplomatic. He once punched two Pitt guards in the same game during huddles because he didn't think they were putting out.

Wrote Jim O'Brien in *Hail to Pitt*: "In Ditka's senior season, he went after teammate Chuck Reinhold at halftime. Reinhold, a well-mannered, scholarly type, was a safety from Mt. Lebanon. He did something wrong near the end of the first half of the game with Michigan State, permitting Herb Adderly to escape his grasp and go for a touchdown.

"Not long afterward, as the Pitt squad clattered into the dressing room, Reinhold hollered, 'Let's get 'em in the second half.'

"Ditka cried out, 'If you hadn't given up that touchdown in the first half we wouldn't be in the fix we're in!' With that, he went for Reinhold. It took about six teammates to restrain Ditka."

"His last game against Penn State will always stand out in my mind," said Lou Cecconi, a former star running back for the Panthers who was an assistant coach at Pitt during Ditka's playing days. "He went in to block a punt and then played the whole game with a dislocated shoulder."



Ditka was a marauding defensive end and claimed he may have even been better on that side of the ball.

"In the pros, Mike just played offense," said Fred Cox, a teammate of Ditka's at Pitt who went on to a 15-year career of his own as a placekicker with the Minnesota Vikings. "That was always a mystery to me, because he was such a fiery defender. He would have made one of the best linebackers ever to come near the NFL if he had been played there with the Bears."

"The attitude of a defensive player is a little bit more aggressive, and that helped me on offense," Ditka says. "That aggressive attitude helps the way you approach blocking and catching the ball and running over people—and everything else. Catching the ball means very little if you don't enjoy running with it afterward. It becomes a competitive one-on-one challenge that you really don't want just one person to bring you down."

Ditka's aggressive nature as a player always earmarked him as a leader. He captained Pitt as a senior. He captained the East in the East-West postseason all-star game. He captained the college all-stars against the NFL champions. He later captained the Bears' offensive unit.

Ditka, a native of Aliquippa, has never forgotten his Pitt roots. In 1990, he made a contribution to the University for the establishment of a $100,000 endowed scholarship fund. The fund provides valuable assistance to both male and female varsity athletes at Pitt from the Beaver Valley area who have distinguished themselves in athletic competition and in their academic pursuits.

"I think life is about paying your dues," Ditka said. "There were a lot of people that helped Mike Ditka along the way, and the University of Pittsburgh certainly played an important role during my formative years. Looking back at my college career, Pitt means to me my whole life—what I am now."

Pittsburgh Hall of Famers

National Football Foundation Hall of Fame

Hugh Green, one of the most feared defensive players in the history of college football, is Pittsburgh's most recent inductee into the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame. He was honored during ceremonies in New York on December 10, 1996. Green's selection to the Hall of Fame marked the second time in three years a Pitt player has received that honor. Tony Dorsett was inducted in December 1994.

Green, whose brilliant collegiate career spanned from 1977-80, was the recipient of the Maxwell and Lombardi Awards, and was runner-up to George Rogers for the 1980 Heisman Trophy, the highest finish ever by a purely defensive player. Green finished his career as Pitt's all-time sack leader (53). He went on to become a first-round draft pick of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in 1981 and was twice voted to the Pro Bowl.

Pitt Football Coach John Majors was inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame on June 10,1988, to recognize his brilliant playing days at Tennessee (1954-56).

Former Panther Coach John Majors (left) and Tony Dorsett led Pitt to its last national championship in 1976 and both were later selected to the College Football Hall of Fame.

Pitt's College Football Hall of Fame Inductees

Len Casanova—1950 (Coach)
Averell Daniell—1934-36
Tom Davies—1918-21
Mike Ditka—1958-60
Joseph Donchess—1927-29
Tony Dorsett—1973-76
Hugh Green—1977-80
Marshall Goldberg—1936-38
Johnny Majors—1954-56*
Herb McCracken—1918-20
George McLaren—1915-18
Robert Peck—1913-16
Joe Skladany—1931-33
Herb Stein—1918-21
Dr. John B. Sutherland—1914-17 (Player), 1924-38 (Coach)
Joseph Thompson—1904-06 (Player), 1908-12 (Coach)
Hube Wagner—1910-13
Glenn "Pop" Warner—1915-23 (Coach)

Eligibility requirements for players: must be at least 10 years past graduation date and cannot presently be playing professional football.

*Majors was inducted for his accomplishments as a player at Tennessee.

Pro Football Hall of Fame

Tony Dorsett became the third and most recent Pitt football player to be selected into both the pro and college football Halls of Fame.

Dorsett ended a brilliant career at Pitt and started his NFL career by guiding Dallas to a victory in Super Bowl XII. He left his professional mark as the NFL's third-leading rusher behind Walter Payton and Eric Dickerson.

Dorsett has the distinction of being the only player in the history of football to win the Heisman Trophy, a collegiate national championship, a Super Bowl championship, and to be elected into the college and pro football Halls of Fame.

Mike Ditka, who was inducted in 1988, was Pitt's first player to be inducted into both Halls. Ditka was an All-America tight end at Pitt in 1960, his senior season. Ditka's pro football career included All-Pro honors. He also was a member of the Chicago Bears' 1963 NFL Championship squad. Ditka worked as an assistant coach at Dallas for nine seasons and spent another 11 seasons as the head coach of the Chicago Bears. The Bears won Super Bowl XX under Ditka.

Joe Schmidt, Pitt's other inductee in the Pro Football Hall of Fame, was an All-America linebacker at Pitt in 1952. He went on to spend 13 years with the Detroit Lions, and was a member of the Lions' two NFL championship teams. He later coached the team for six seasons and led Detroit to its only playoff appearance of the 1970s. He was inducted in 1973.

Joe Schmidt, an All-America linebacker at Pitt, was named to the Pro Football Hall of Fame in 1973, after an outstanding 13-year NFL career.

Pittsburgh's College of Coaches

An extension of the great Pitt football tradition is the list of men who played at Pitt and/or served as assistant or head coaches at Pitt, and then moved on to coach at either the collegiate or professional levels. Products of the Panther football program can still be seen along the sidelines at college and professional football games across the United States.

Quite a few men who have worked as assistant coaches at Pitt—but did not necessarily attend Pitt as undergraduates—have also gone on to distinguished careers at other schools besides Pitt.

In the 106 years of Pitt football history, eight men who went to school and played their football at Pitt later coached the Panthers: **W.D. Hockensmith** (1901), **Joe Thompson** (1908-12), **Jock Sutherland** (1924-38), **Charley Bowser** (1939-42), **Walter Milligan** (1947-49), **John Michelosen** (1955-65), **Carl DePasqua** (1969-72) and **Serafino "Foge" Fazio** (1982-85).

Three former Pitt players also coached the Pittsburgh Steelers of the National Football League. **John Michelosen** coached the Steelers from 1948-51, and compiled a 20-26-2 record during that period, while **Jock Sutherland** directed the Steelers for the 1946 and 1947 campaigns, posting a 13-9-1 mark. A third Pitt alumnus **Mike Nixon**—known as Mike Nicksick during his playing and assistant coaching career at Pitt — never served as head coach of the Panthers but was the Steelers' head coach in 1965 when the pro team played its home games at Pitt Stadium.

Another former Pitt great **Joe Walton**, former head coach of the NFL's New York Jets, begins his fourth season as head coach at Robert Morris College, located in Pittsburgh, which won seven games during its inaugural season in 1994.

Marty Schottenheimer

Here is a list of former Pitt assistants, the years they were staff members with the Panthers, and the head coaching jobs they later had:

Joe Avezzano, assistant coach at Pitt (1973-76), head coach at Oregon State (1980-84).
Charlie Bailey, assistant coach at Pitt (1982), head coach at Memphis State (1986-88).
Leeman Bennett, assistant coach at Pitt (1966), head coach of the Atlanta Falcons (1977-82) and Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1985-86).
Dick Bestwick, assistant coach at Pitt (1966), head coach at Virginia (1976-81).
Frank Cignetti, assistant coach at Pitt (1966-68), head coach at West Virginia (1976-79) and Indiana University of Pa.(1986-present).
Bob Davie, assistant coach at Pitt (1977, 1980-82), head coach at Notre Dame (1996-).
Ron Dickerson, assistant coach at Pitt (1979-81), head coach at Temple (1993-).
Wally English, assistant coach at Pitt (1979-80), head coach at Tulane(1983-84).
Serafino "Foge" Fazio, assistant coach at Pitt (1969-71 and 1977-81), head coach at Pitt (1982-85).
Paul Hackett, assistant coach at Pitt (1989), head coach at Pitt (1989-92).
Ernie Hefferle, assistant coach at Pitt (1951-58, 1962-64 and 1970-72), head coach at Boston College (1960-61).
Willie Jeffries, assistant coach at Pitt (1972), head coach at Wichita State (1979-82).
Jimmy Johnson, assistant coach at Pitt (1977-78), head coach at Oklahoma State (1979-83), University of Miami, FL (1984-88), Dallas Cowboys (1989-93), and Miami Dolphins (1996-present).
Pat Jones, assistant coach at Pitt (1978), head coach at Oklahoma State (1984-1994).
Bill Kern, assistant coach at Pitt (1930-36), head coach at Carnegie Tech (1937-39), head coach at West Virginia (1940-42, 1946-47).
Bill Lewis, assistant coach at Pitt (1966-67), head coach at Wyoming (1977-79), East Carolina (1989-91), and Georgia Tech (1992-present).
Joe Pendry, assistant coach at Pitt (1978-79), head coach of Pittsburgh Maulers of United States Football League (1984).
George Pugh, assistant coach at Pitt (1981), head coach at Alabama A&M (1989-90).
Jackie Sherrill, assistant coach at Pitt (1973-75), head coach at Washington State (1976), head coach at Pitt (1977-81), at Texas A&M (1982-88), and at Mississippi State (1991-present).
Chuck Stobart, assistant coach at Pitt (1985), head coach at Wichita State (1988-89), head coach at Memphis State (1989-1994).
Dave Wannstedt, assistant coach at Pitt (1974-78), head coach of Chicago Bears (1993-present).

Frank Cignetti

Dave Wannstedt

Pitt's NFL Head Coaches

Consistent with Pitt's impressive list of players who have gone on to distinguish themselves as players in the National Football League, so too is the list of men who have served as head coaches in that professional circuit.

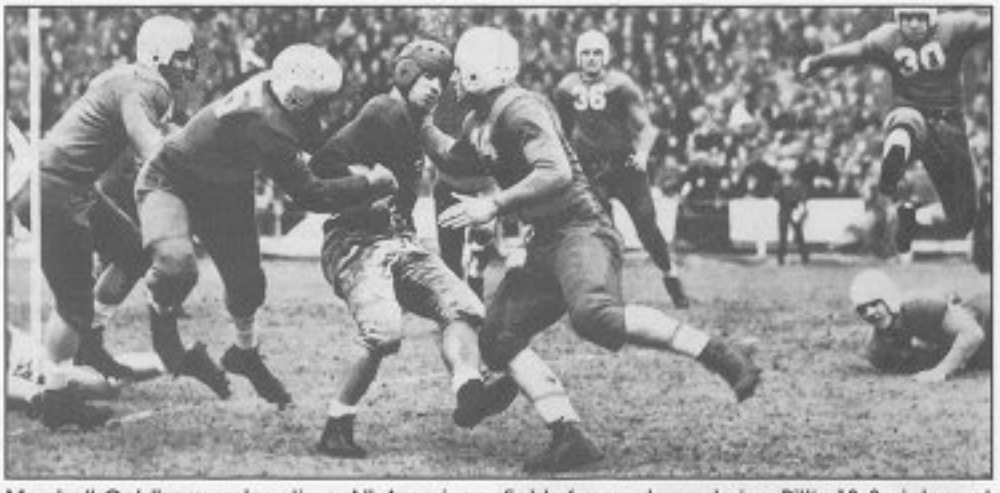
Name	Team/Years
Luby DiMelio	Pittsburgh, 1934
Mike Ditka	Chicago Bears, 1982-92; New Orleans 1997-
Hal Hunter	Indianapolis, 1984
Bill McPeak	Washington, 1961-65
John Michelosen	Pittsburgh, 1948-51
Mike Nixon	Pittsburgh/Washington, 1959-60; Pittsburgh, 1965
Joe Schmidt	Detroit, 1967-72
Marty Schottenheimer	Cleveland, 1984-88 Kansas City, 1989-present
Jock Sutherland	Brooklyn, 1940-41; Pittsburgh, 1946-47
Joe Walton	New York Jets, 1983-89
Dave Wannstedt	Chicago Bears, 1993-present

All-Americans

The following list of Pitt's First Team All-Americans was compiled from various sources, including the NCAA Football Guide, and consists of players who were first team selections on one or more of the All-American teams of the last 73 years. Over the years, these selections were made by Walter Camp, Grantland Rice, Casper Whitney, INS, AP, UPI, NANA, NEA, the Football Writers, the Football Coaches Association, the All-America Board, Newsweek and The Sporting News.

Pitt's First -Team All-Americans

Year	Name	Pos.
1914	Robert Peck	C
1915	*Robert Peck*	*C*
1916	*Robert Peck*	*C*
1916	*James Herron*	*E*
1916	Andy Hastings	F
1916	Claude Thornhill	G
1917	H.C. Carlson	E
1917	*Jock Sutherland*	*G*
1917	*Dale Sies*	*G*
1917	George McLaren	F
1918	*Leonard Hilty*	*T*
1918	*Tom Davies*	*B*
1918	*George McLaren*	*F*
1920	Tom Davies	B
1920	*Herb Stein*	*C*
1921	*Herb Stein*	*C*
1925	*Ralph Chase*	*T*
1927	Bill Kern	T
1927	*Gilbert Welch*	*B*
1928	*Mike Getto*	*T*
1929	*Joe Donchess*	*E*
1929	*Ray Montgomery*	*G*
1929	Toby Uansa	H
1929	Thomas Parkinson	B
1931	*Jesse Quatse*	*T*
1932	*Joe Skladany*	*E*
1932	*Warren Heller*	*B*
1933	*Joe Skladany*	*H*
1934	*Charles Hartwig*	*E*
1934	George Shotwell	G
1934	Isadore Weinstock	C
1935	Art Detzel	T
1936	*Averell Daniell*	*T*
1936	William Glassford	G
1937	Frank Souchak	E
1937	Bill Daddio	E
1937	*Tony Matisi*	*T*
1937	*Marshall Goldberg*	*B*
1938	*Marshall Goldberg*	*B*
1938	Bill Daddio	E
1941	Ralph Fife	G
1949	Bernie Barkouskie	G
1952	Eldred Kraemer	T
1952	Joe Schmidt	LB
1956	*Joe Walton*	*E*



Marshall Goldberg, a two-time All-American, fights for yardage during Pitt's 13-3 victory at Nebraska in 1937.

Year	Name	Pos.
1958	*John Guzik*	*G*
1960	*Mike Ditka*	*E*
1963	*Paul Martha*	*B*
1963	Ernie Borghetti	T
1973	Tony Dorsett	RB
1974	Tony Dorsett	RB
1974	Gary Burley	MG
1975	Tony Dorsett	RB
1976	*Tony Dorsett*	*RB*
1976	*Al Romano*	*MG*
1977	Matt Cavanaugh	QB
1977	*Randy Holloway*	*DT*
1977	*Bob Jury*	*DB*
1977	*Tom Brzoza*	*C*
1978	*Hugh Green*	*DE*
1978	Gordon Jones	WR
1979	*Hugh Green*	*DE*
1980	*Hugh Green*	*DE*
1980	*Mark May*	*OT*
1981	*Sal Sunseri*	*LB*
1981	Jimbo Covert	OT
1981	Dan Marino	QB
1981	Julius Dawkins	SE
1982	*Jimbo Covert*	*OT*
1982	Bill Maas	DT
1982	Bill Fralic	OT
1983	*Bill Fralic*	*OT*
1984	*Bill Fralic*	*OT*
1986	*Randy Dixon*	*OT*
1986	*Tony Woods*	*DE*
1987	Ezekial Gadson	LB
1987	*Craig Heyward*	*RB*
1988	*Mark Stepnoski*	*OG*
1988	Jerry Olsavsky	LB
1989	Marc Spindler	DT
1990	*Brian Greenfield*	*P*
1994	Ruben Brown	OT

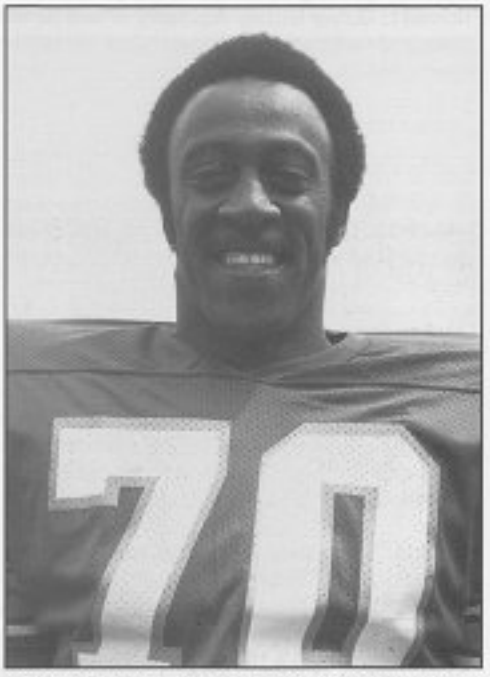
Italics indicates consensus status

Pitt Sixth in Division 1-A Consensus All-Americans

With a total of 46 players who have received consensus All-America recognition, Pitt ranks sixth among all Division 1-A schools.

1.	Notre Dame	93
2.	Michigan	65
3.	USC	60
4.	Ohio State	58
5.	Oklahoma	52
6.	**Pittsburgh**	**46**

For a more detailed accounting of Pitt's All-Americans, see the profiles on the following pages.



Randy Holloway started for the Panthers from 1975-77 as a defensive tackle.

All-Americans

Robert Peck was Pitt's first All-American, an honor he claimed in three different seasons. The Panthers lost one game during his playing career.

A total of 66 players at the University of Pittsburgh have been honored as first-team All-Americans. The following describes each player's career in brief:

Robert Peck, 1914-16, center

Robert Peck was Pitt's initial first-team All-American, being selected in 1914, 1915 and 1916. Pitt only lost one game in those three years. He was captain of the 1916 team that is rated among the greatest of all time, both at Pitt and in the nation. He was a roving center of the old variety and also an accurate passing center. After his graduation he moved to Culver Military Academy, where he was athletic director and head coach until his sudden death in 1934.

James Herron, 1916, end

James Herron became a consensus All-America end in 1916 after earning his fourth letter playing football for Pitt. He was a hard-nosed player who was known for his aggressive play on both offense and defense. He spent one year in the NFL playing for the Cleveland Tigers.

Andy Hastings, 1916, back

Andy Hastings became an All-American in 1916 after leading Pitt in scoring for the third consecutive year. He is in 15th place on Pitt's all-time rushing list with 1,527 yards. He led the Panthers in rushing in 1914 and 1915, and led the team in passing and interceptions in 1916.

Claude "Tiny" Thornhill, 1916, guard

Claude "Tiny" Thornhill was an All-America guard in 1916. He was a smart and aggressive guard who was quick off the line. Thornhill was a four-year letterman from 1913-1916. He spent one season in the NFL playing for the Cleveland Tigers and the Buffalo All-Americans.

H.C. Carlson, 1917, end

H.C. Carlson gained All-America honors in 1917 after being the captain of an undefeated team. He rates as one of the finest players Pitt has had. While at Pitt he earned four letters each in football, basketball and baseball, starring in each sport. In 1920, he earned his M.D. degree at the Pitt Medical School resulting in his nickname of "Doc." He won great fame as Pitt's basketball coach for 31 years. He won two national championships while compiling a 369-247 record, achievements which earned Carlson a spot in The Basketball Hall of Fame.

Dale Sies, 1917, guard

Dale Sies was an All-America guard in 1917. He was one of the finest athletes on the Pitt squad and was also known as a fierce defender. After spending some time in the armed forces he returned to football where he became an NFL quarterback. He spent five years in the NFL playing for the Cleveland Tigers, Dayton Triangles, Rock Island Independents and the Kenosha Maroons.

Jock Sutherland, 1917, guard

Dr. John Bain (Jock) Sutherland was an All-America guard in 1917 and later became a great coach at Pitt. He entered Pitt a few years after leaving his native Scotland and was a regular on the teams of 1914-1917 that lost one game during the entire period. In 1924, he became head coach at Pitt and in the next 15 years he won five national titles and took his teams to four Rose Bowls. He left Pitt in 1939 to coach the NFL's Brooklyn Dodgers in 1940 and 1941. He later took over as head coach of the Pittsburgh Steelers until his very sudden death in the spring of 1948.

George McLaren, 1917-18, fullback

George McLaren, who was an All-America fullback in 1917 and 1918, is regarded by many as Pitt's all-time finest fullback. The Panthers were 29-1 during his career. He still holds the Pitt fullback rushing record for a season, with 782 yards, and has the record for the longest run from scrimmage. He scored 13 touchdowns in 1917 and was the team captain in 1918. McLaren's most amazing achievement: he was never stopped without a gain on a running play. He is Pitt's fifth all-time leading scorer with 183 points and 10th all-time rusher with 1,920 yards. He also spent two years apiece on the basketball and track teams.

Tom Davies , 1918-20, back

Tom Davies was a two-time All-American, including his freshman season of 1918 and also in 1920. He weighed less than 155 pounds, but had great speed and physical abilities. In 1918, he led Pitt in rushing, passing and receiving. He was Pitt's all-purpose yardage leader all four years that he played. In Pitt's 27-21 victory over Penn in 1920, Davies threw a touchdown pass, rushed for a touchdown, returned a kickoff for a touchdown and intercepted a pass to set up another touchdown. He is sixth on Pitt's all-time scoring list with 181 points and eighth in all-purpose yards with 3,931. Davies played one year in the NFL with the Hammond Pros and also briefly played baseball with the New York Giants.

Leonard Hilty, 1918, tackle

Leonard Hilty became an All-America tackle in 1918 after spending a year in the Navy. He played for Pitt in 1916 and then spent 1917 in the Navy. Hilty, who went to Peabody High School, was ordered back to Pitt by the naval authorities to complete his education. He didn't tell anybody he was coming back and just showed up for practice at the beginning of the 1918 season. He was bigger, stronger and in perfect physical condition leading to his All-America season.

Herb Stein, 1920-21, center

Herb Stein was a consensus All-American for Pitt in both his junior and senior seasons. Stein, who served as the team captain in 1920, was regarded as one of Pitt's greatest offensive and defensive centers. His efforts at Pitt earned him induction into the College Football Hall of Fame. After leaving Pitt he went on to the NFL, where he played six seasons with Buffalo, Toledo, Frankford and Pottsville. While playing with Toledo in 1922, he was selected as an All-Pro. His brother, Russ, was an All-America tackle at Washington and Jefferson.

Ralph "Horse" Chase, 1925, tackle

Ralph "Horse" Chase became a consensus All-American for his play at tackle in 1925. He was a three-year letterman for the Panthers who was very strong and agile. Following Pitt he spent one year in the NFL playing tackle for the Akron Indians.

Bill Kern, 1927, tackle

Bill Kern was selected as an All-America tackle in 1927. His relentless enthusiasm made him a team leader both on and off the field. Following his All-America season, he spent two years in the NFL playing tackle for the Green Bay Packers.

Gilbert "Gibby" Welch, 1927, running back

Gilbert "Gibby" Welch, who was known as a two-way offensive weapon with his running and passing ability, was selected as an All-American in 1927. In 1925, he led Pitt in rushing and passing. In 1926, he led the Panthers in rushing, passing, receiving and scoring. In 1927, Welch was the leading rusher in the nation. He ranks 11th on Pitt's all-time rushing list with 1,880 yards. He is in a three-way tie for Pitt's longest kickoff return with his 105-yard runback against West Virginia in 1927. He spent two years in the NFL with the New York Yankees and the Providence Steamroller.

Mike Getto, 1928, tackle

In 1928, Mike Getto was a unanimous choice as an All-America tackle. He was picked as the Outstanding Panther of the Year and played in the East-West Shrine Game.

Toby Uansa, 1929, halfback

Toby Uansa earned All-America honors in 1929 after leading Pitt in rushing, interceptions and scoring. The previous season he led the Panthers in passing and interceptions. Uansa grew up in McKees Rocks, where he earned 16 letters in high school. He was a fast halfback who was very hard to stop. His speed was utilized on special teams where he twice won games for Pitt on kickoff returns.

All-Americans

Joe Donchess, 1929, end

Joe Donchess earned All-America honors in 1929 after leading Pitt in receiving for the second consecutive year. He is a member of the College Football Hall of Fame. While attending Pitt's Medical School he was a coach with the Pitt football team from 1930-32. He then coached the ends at Dartmouth from 1933-37 while attending its school of medicine. Donchess, who became an orthopedic surgeon, was a generous contributor to Pitt for more than 30 years and from 1960-62 was Chairman of the Pitt Annual Giving Fund. The Pitt football training room inside Gate 3 at Pitt Stadium was dedicated in his memory after he died in 1978.

Ray Montgomery, 1929, guard

In 1929, Ray Montgomery was selected as a consensus All-American. He was also a defensive standout and labeled "the perfect guard" by Coach Jock Sutherland. In his time Montgomery was hailed as one of the greatest linemen Pitt had ever produced.

Thomas Parkinson, 1929, fullback

Thomas Parkinson was an All-America fullback for Pitt in 1929. He was known as a triple-threat man for his ability to pass, catch and run with the ball. He was often used on short-yardage situations to plunge forward for the first down. His All-America selection was greatly aided by a 182-yard rushing performance against Penn State. After leaving Pitt, Parkinson spent one year in the NFL with the Staten Island Stapletons.

Jesse Quatse, 1931, tackle

Jesse Quatse was a consensus All-America tackle in 1931. He went on to play with three different NFL teams. He was a member of the Green Bay Packers in 1933. Quatse played the end of the 1933 season and all of 1934 with the Pittsburgh Steelers. He finished his career with the New York Giants in 1935.

Joe Skladany, 1932-33, end

Joe Skladany was a two-time consensus All-America end in 1932 and 1933. He was a good pass receiver and also known for his tough defensive play. He stole the defensive show in the 1933 Rose Bowl against Stanford. In 1932, Skladany led Pitt in receiving. He played in both the East-West Shrine Game and the College All-Star Game in 1934. He spent one season in the NFL with the Pittsburgh Steelers, and was later elected to the College Football Hall of Fame.

Warren Heller, 1932, back

Warren Heller became a consensus All-American for Pitt in 1932 after leading the Panthers in both rushing and passing for the third consecutive season. He was able to kick, pass, run the ball, block and play defensive back. He ranks ninth on the all-time Pitt rushing list with 1,949 yards. Heller rushed for 200 yards in Pitt's 19-12 win against Penn State in 1930. He went on to play three seasons in the NFL at halfback for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Charles Hartwig, 1934, guard

In 1934, Charles Hartwig was an All-America guard as Pitt's team captain. The following season his picture was put on a Wheaties cereal box for being a football hero. He battled back from an injury which caused him to miss his entire sophomore year. A media guide referred to him as a brilliant defensive player and workmanlike on offense. He played brilliantly in the 1933 Rose Bowl. In 1935, Hartwig played in the East-West Shrine Game. His grandson, Craig Erickson, later played quarterback for the University of Miami and is currently with the NFL's Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

George Shotwell, 1934, center

George Shotwell became an All-American for his offensive line play in 1934. He was highly regarded for his all-around skills. Shotwell was an intelligent football player known as a keen diagnostician of plays. "I have never seen his superior in this respect, and only a coach knows how valuable this quality is," said Coach Jock Sutherland.

Isadore Weinstock, 1934, fullback

Isadore Weinstock was a smart and aggressive fullback who became an All-American in 1934. He was known as a crack ball-handler, especially on trick plays such as double passes and fake reverses. Weinstock was a fine blocker who also played defensive back, and kicked extra points and kickoffs. After suffering a broken nose he became one of the first players to wear a face mask. He led the Panthers in scoring in 1934 with 63 points. After Pitt he went on to the NFL, where he played three seasons at quarterback for Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.

Art Detzel, 1935, tackle

Art Detzel made the shift from guard to tackle and became an All-American. He was an aggressive, active player who was one of the strongest men on the squad. He was a fast and smart player on the offensive line. Detzel was also a member of the wrestling team, for which he served as captain in 1935.

William Glassford, 1936, guard

William Glassford switched from fullback to guard and became an All-American in 1936. He was a very good blocker who charged hard off the line. He was a rugged player who was also known for his aggressiveness on defense. Glassford's teammates looked to him as a leader on the field.

Averell Daniell, 1936, tackle

In 1936, Averell Daniell became a walk-on All-American. Daniell, who was from Mt. Lebanon High School, was known as a thinking man's tackle. When asked to comment on Daniell, Coach Jock Sutherland called him, "one of the smartest tackles Pitt has produced - he has no bad habits and learned how to play his position the right way." He was later elected to the College Football Hall of Fame.

Frank Souchak, 1937, end

Frank Souchak was an All-America end in 1937. In 1935, he led Pitt in both receiving and interceptions. He played in the 1938 East-West Shrine Game. He was a sure pass receiver who also blocked well. He was the number one player on Pitt's golf team. Souchak spent one year in the NFL playing end for the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Bill Daddio, 1937-38, end

Bill Daddio was an All-America end in both 1937 and 1938. He was known for his great speed and also handled the placekicking duties. He led Pitt in receiving yardage in 1936. In the 1937 Rose Bowl, Daddio returned an interception 71 yards for a touchdown. He played in the 1939 East-West Shrine Game. He went on to the NFL where he spent two seasons with the Chicago Cardinals and one with the Buffalo Bills.

Tony Matisi, 1937, tackle

Tony Matisi was picked as a consensus All-American in 1937 for his fine play on the offensive line. He was a fast tackle with a tremendous capacity and affection for his work. Matisi was a big, aggressive player. He was also a shot putter on the track team. He spent one year playing tackle for the Detroit Lions.

Marshall Goldberg, 1937-38, running back

Marshall Goldberg earned back-to-back All-America honors as a halfback (1937) and fullback (1938). He was an accomplished quick kicker, passer and blocker. He was always the first one on the practice field. His 1,957 yards rushing place him eighth on the all-time Pitt rushing list. Goldberg led the Panthers in rushing and passing in both 1936 and 1937. In 1937 he also led Pitt in interceptions. He spent eight years in the NFL playing halfback for the Chicago Cardinals. Goldberg was later elected to the College Football Hall of Fame. Goldberg's jersey will be retired on September 18 during the Pitt-Miami game.

Marshall Goldberg won All-America honors and was a Heisman Trophy finalist in 1938.

All-Americans

Ralph Fife, 1941, guard

Although Ralph Fife was an All-America guard more than 50 years ago in 1941 he is still remembered at Pitt. He was a fast and smart player with a keen sense of the playing field. Fife also handled the placekicking duties for the Panthers. In 1942, he played in the East-West Shrine Game. He went on to the NFL to play two seasons with the Chicago Cardinals and one with the Pittsburgh Steelers, and was a high school coach in the Pittsburgh area for many years.

Bernie Barkouskie, 1949, guard

Bernie Barkouskie became an All-American in 1949 after being the starting left guard for four years. He helped himself reach that status by blocking a punt that led to a dramatic 22-21 comeback victory against Penn. Following the 1949 season Barkouskie played in the Blue-Gray All-Star Classic.

Eldred Kraemer, 1952, tackle

Eldred Kraemer became an All-American in 1952 as a sophomore despite never playing high school football. He established himself during his freshman season when he intercepted a lateral pass and ran 49 yards and also blocked a punt. "Eldred Kraemer is as worthy an All-American as you will find," said Pitt Coach Red Dawson. "He is the fastest-reacting tackle I have ever coached and a great competitor who never seems to tire." Kraemer played in the 1954 East-West Shrine game and the 1955 College All-Star Game. He spent one year in the NFL playing with the San Francisco 49ers. Kraemer died in an automobile accident in 1992.

Joe Schmidt, 1952, linebacker

In 1952, team captain Joe Schmidt became an All-America linebacker. He played in the 1952 North-South Game and the 1953 Senior Bowl. He often played hurt with his many knee, rib and shoulder injuries. He went on to play with the Detroit Lions for 13 seasons which included two NFL championship teams. He was an All-Pro eight times. He later coached the Detroit Lions for six seasons. Schmidt was the first Pitt player to be inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. His Pittsburgh jersey will be retired during ceremonies of the Pittsburgh-Miami game on Sept. 18 at Pitt Stadium.

Joe Walton, 1956, end

In 1956, Joe Walton became an All-American after leading Pitt in receiving for the second consecutive year. He was known for his great hands and ability to run exceptionally fine pass patterns. He used his small size to his advantage to block lower and more effectively. In 1956, he was named to the Academic All-America team. Walton played in the 1957 College All-Star Game. He spent four seasons with the Washington Redskins and two with the New York Giants in the NFL. He coached the New York Jets from 1983-1989 and was formerly the offensive coordinator for the Pittsburgh Steelers. Walton is now the head coach for nearby Robert Morris College.

John Guzik, 1958, guard

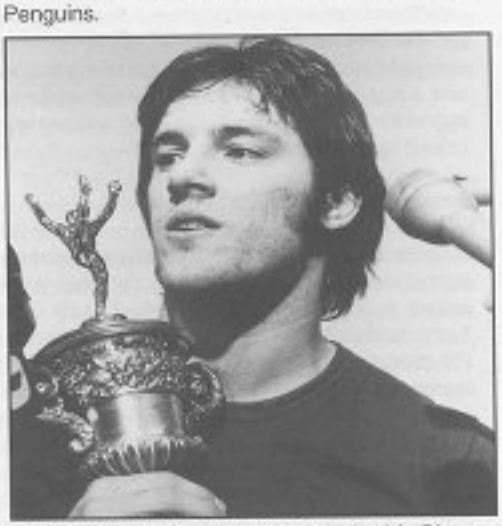
John Guzik, who was an All-America guard in 1958, was known as "Bull" for the way he would hit people on the field. He was the only Panther in 1958 to play over 400 minutes, averaging 42 minutes per game. He played in the 1958 East-West Shrine Game and was also named to the Academic All-America Team. He played in the 1959 College All-Star Game and the Hula Bowl. Guzik played two years with the Los Angeles Rams and one with the Houston Oilers.

Mike Ditka, 1960, end

Mike Ditka became an All-American in 1960 after leading Pitt in receiving for the third consecutive year. He was also an excellent linebacker and punter. Ditka, who was called "The Hammer" while at Pitt, was selected the winner of the Charles C. Hartwig Award as the senior who did the most to promote the cause of athletics at Pitt. He also spent two years apiece on the basketball and baseball teams. In 1961 he was a first-round draft choice of the Chicago Bears and was a member of their 1963 NFL Championship team. He was also a member of the Dallas Cowboys when they won Super Bowl VI. He was an All-Pro four times. Ditka became the second Pitt player to join the Pro Football Hall of Fame and is the only Pitt alumnus to be enshrined in both the pro and college Halls of Fame. He spent 11 seasons as head coach of the Chicago Bears where he led them to victory in Super Bowl XX. He returned to the NFL coaching ranks in 1997 as the head coach of the New Orleans Saints.

Paul Martha, 1963, running back

After playing quarterback in 1961, Paul Martha moved to running back where he became an All-American in his second season at the new position. In 1962, he led Pitt in both receiving and scoring. Following the 1963 season Martha played in the East-West Shrine Game, the Hula Bowl and the College All-Star game. He was the number-one draft pick of the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1964. He played six years with Pittsburgh and one with the Denver Broncos. Martha retired after the 1970 season and began practicing law. He has long been active in executive capacities with the Pittsburgh Penguins.



Matt Cavanaugh was the Most Valuable Player of the 1977 Sugar Bowl, leading Pittsburgh to the 1976 National Championship.

Ernie Borghetti, 1963, tackle

In 1963, Ernie Borghetti was an All-America tackle and played in several post-season games. He was in the East-West Shrine Game, the College All-Star Game and the Hula Bowl. He was drafted by the Kansas City Chiefs but injured his knee during his first preseason. He retired from football to attend dental school and became a dentist in Youngstown, Ohio.

Tony Dorsett, 1973-76, running back

Tony Dorsett is the only four-time All-American in the history of Pitt football. He holds nearly every Pitt rushing record, such as 6,256 career yards rushing and 2,150 yards in a season. He gained 100 yards or more 36 times including 20 consecutive games. He is Pitt's all-time leading scorer with 380 points. In 1976, he became the only Pitt player to win the Heisman Trophy. He also won the Walter Camp and Maxwell Awards. Dorsett became the first player in NCAA history to reach the 6,000-yard mark. His No. 33 has been retired by Pitt. In 1977, he was the first-round pick of the Dallas Cowboys and played 11 seasons with the Cowboys including two Super Bowls. He is in second place on the all-time NFL rushing list and holds the record for the longest run from scrimmage (99 yards). He played in four Pro Bowls with Dallas before finishing his career with the Denver Broncos. His son—Anthony Jr.—was a four-year letterman for the Panthers from 1992-95.

Gary Burley, 1974, middle guard

Gary Burley was an All-America middle guard known for his brute strength, quickness, speed, and desire to hit. He transferred to Pitt from Wharton Junior College in Texas after being a two-time Junior College All-American. He played in the 1974 All-American Bowl and the 1975 East-West Shrine Game. He played eight years with the Cincinnati Bengals, including Super Bowl XVI, and one with the Atlanta Falcons.

Al Romano, 1976, middle guard

In 1976 not only was Al Romano an All-American but he was regarded by many as the best nose-guard in the country. He was strong, quick and blessed with tremendous instincts. Romano, who was a three-year starter, was picked as the most outstanding lineman in Pitt's 33-19 win over Kansas in the 1975 Sun Bowl. Following the 1976 season he played in the Hula Bowl and the Japan Bowl.

Matt Cavanaugh, 1977, quarterback

Matt Cavanaugh became an All-America quarterback in 1977, despite missing part of the season with a broken wrist. His 3,378 yards passing rank sixth on Pitt's all-time passing list. In the 1977 Gator Bowl, Cavanaugh completed 23 of 36 passes for 387 yards and four touchdowns. In the previous season he helped lead Pitt to the national championship with a 27-3 victory over Georgia in the Sugar Bowl. He was named the game's MVP. He was in the NFL since 1978, playing for the New England Patriots, San Francisco 49ers, Philadelphia Eagles, and finally the New York Giants. After serving on Coach John Majors' staff tight ends coach for one season, Cavanaugh returned to the NFL and is currently the offensive coordinator for the Chicago Bears.

All-Americans

Randy Holloway, 1977, tackle

Randy Holloway followed up his honorable mention All-America junior season by being selected as a first-team All-American his senior year. He was quiet, likeable, and one of the most active Pitt players when it came to charitable affairs. He was very agile and often used his 6-6 height to knock down passes. Holloway is second on Pitt's all time sack list with 33.5 sacks. He was a first-round draft choice of the Minnesota Vikings where he spent seven seasons. He finished his career with the St. Louis Cardinals.

Bob Jury, 1977, safety

Bob Jury became an All-America safety in 1977 after becoming Pitt's all-time interception leader with 21. He also holds Pitt interception records for a season with 10 and return yardage of 266. Jury was the leader of the Pitt secondary and was known for making the big play. He had two interceptions in Pitt's 34-3 victory over Clemson in the 1977 Gator Bowl. Following the 1977 season Jury played in the Hula Bowl and the Japan Bowl. He played one season in the NFL with the San Francisco 49ers.

Tom Brzoza, 1977, center

Tom Brzoza made the move from guard to center and became an All-American in 1977. He became a starter in the fourth game of his freshman year and held that position for the rest of his Pitt career. He was a smart player with great speed, quickness and attitude. As one of Pitt's captains, Brzoza always accepted his leadership role. Following the 1977 season he played in the Hula Bowl and the Japan Bowl. He was an 11th-round pick of the Pittsburgh Steelers.

Tom Brzoza moved from guard to center in 1977, a move that earned him All-America honors that same season.

Gordon Jones, 1978, split end

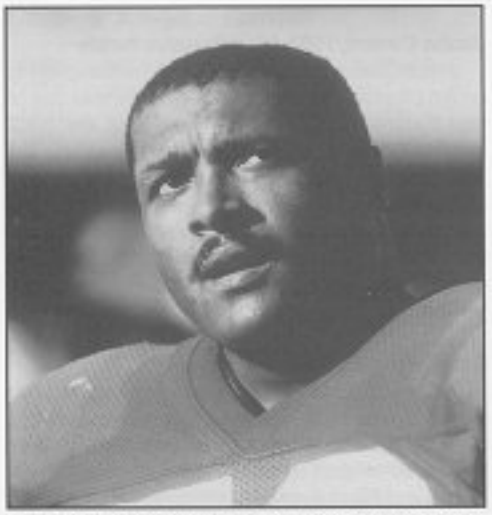
Gordon Jones became an All-American in 1978 as he became Pitt's all-time receiving yardage leader with 2,230 yards. He currently ranks second. He was nicknamed "Too Much" for his ability to escape swarms of defenders and the way he made impossible catches look routine. He started his career in 1975 with a bang when he made 22 catches, four of which were for touchdowns. He played in bowl games all four years. After playing in the Senior Bowl and the Hula Bowl, Jones became a second-round draft pick of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers where he played four years. He then played his last two years with the Los Angeles Raiders, including their Super Bowl XVIII season.

Hugh Green, 1978-80, defensive end

Hugh Green was a three-time All-American for Pitt and was a strong contender for the 1980 Heisman Trophy. He finished second behind George Rogers. In 1980, Green won the Lombardi Award (outstanding college lineman or linebacker), the Maxwell Award (top college player in the nation), and the Walter Camp Award (college player of the year). He is the only defensive player to win the Walter Camp Award since its inception in 1969. Green was named to Pitt's All-Time team after only his sophomore year. He was discovered by Pitt when their coaches watched films of a running back (Rooster Jones) they were recruiting and noticed that Green was making many of the tackles for the other team. In 1980, Green's No. 99 was retired and he was named Dapper Dan Man of the Year. He was a first-round draft choice of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers where he played five years before joining the Miami Dolphins. He was a Pro Bowl linebacker in 1983 and 1984. Green was inducted into the National College Football Foundation Hall of Fame in December, 1996.

Mark May, 1980, offensive tackle

In 1980, Mark May ended his Pitt career by being selected as an All-America offensive tackle. He also won the Outland Trophy, which goes to the outstanding collegiate interior lineman in the nation. He was called "May Day" for the distress of defensive tackles lining up against him and because he was the blocker Pitt would call upon in third-and-short running situations. May had a combination of strength, agility and the ability to think under pressure. He was bright and articulate and represented Pitt at a number of community events. He played in the 1980 Hula Bowl and Japan Bowl. May was a first-round draft choice of the Washington Redskins, where he played from 1981 through the 1990 season. He played in Super Bowls XVII, XVIII, and XXII, and in the 1989 Pro Bowl. He finished his career with the San Diego Chargers and Arizona Cardinals. He is currently the studio host for TNT Network.



Mark May was an All-American and Outland Trophy winner in 1980. He is currently a studio host for TNT's NFL football coverage.

Julius Dawkins, 1981, split end

Julius Dawkins became an All-American as a junior when he led Pitt in receiving with 46 catches for 767 yards and 16 touchdowns. He is fifth on Pitt's all-time receiving list with 1,457 yards and 13th in scoring with 138 points. He holds the Pitt record for four touchdown catches in a game, which he did twice in 1981. Dawkins also has the school record for touchdowns in a season with 16 in 1981. In 1982, he played in the Senior Bowl and the Hula Bowl. He spent two seasons in the NFL, playing wide receiver for the Buffalo Bills.

Dan Marino, 1981, quarterback

Dan Marino became an All-American in 1981 as a junior, after throwing for 37 touchdowns and 2,876 yards. He finished fourth in the Heisman Trophy voting. He finished the season by throwing the winning touchdown pass to John Brown in Pitt's come-from-behind victory over Georgia in the Sugar Bowl. Marino became Pitt's all-time leading passer after only three years and finished with 8,597 yards. He threw a touchdown pass in 19 consecutive games. His No. 13 has been retired by Pitt. In 1983, he was the first-round pick of the Miami Dolphins. He holds NFL records for yards passing in a season with 5,084 and for 48 touchdown passes thrown. He led the Dolphins to Super Bowl XIX and has been a consistent Pro Bowl performer.

Sal Sunseri, 1981, linebacker

Sal Sunseri, a four-year letterman from nearby Central Catholic High School, became an All-American in 1981. He was an enthusiastic leader as the heart and soul of the Pitt defense. He was like another coach on the field and was known for his bone-crushing tackles. In his three years at Pitt, the Panthers were 33-3 with three bowl victories while the defense allowed an average of only 11 points per game. In 1981, he played in the East-West Shrine Game and the Senior Bowl. He was drafted by the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1982 and suffered a training camp injury which ended his career. Sunseri returned to Pitt where he spent eight years as an assistant coach, including the 1992 season as assistant head coach.

All-Americans

Jimbo Covert, 1981-82, offensive tackle

Jimbo Covert was a two-time All-American playing on the offensive line for Pitt. In 1982, he was one of four Panther team captains. Following the 1982 season Covert played in the Senior Bowl and the Hula Bowl. In 1983, he was a first-round draft pick of the Chicago Bears, where he played until his retirement following the 1991 season. He played in the 1986 and 1987 Pro Bowls. Covert was a member of the Bears when they won Super Bowl XX, and retired from football this past spring.

Bill Maas, 1982, defensive tackle

Bill Maas gave up promising careers in both wrestling and track to concentrate on football, and became an All-American. He didn't even play organized football until his freshman year in high school and then fully devoted himself to the sport. He established himself early when, as a freshman, he blocked a punt and recorded a sack in Pitt's Gator Bowl victory over South Carolina. He then became a starter for his remaining three years at Pitt. He played in the 1983 East-West Shrine Game. In 1984 Maas was a first-round draft choice of the Kansas City Chiefs and made most NFL All-Rookie teams. In 1986 and 1987, he started in the Pro Bowl.

Bill Fralic, 1982-84, offensive tackle

Bill Fralic became a three-time All-American while earning a reputation as one of the greatest college linemen ever. NFL scout George Karras said Fralic was the most awesome offensive lineman he ever graded. Syracuse Coach Dick MacPherson said he was the best offensive lineman he had ever seen. Fralic became the first offensive lineman to twice finish in the top 10 of the Heisman Trophy voting with his eighth-place finish in 1983 followed by a sixth-place finish in 1984. His No. 79 has been retired by Pitt. In 1985, he was a first-round draft choice by the Atlanta Falcons. He has been selected to the Pro Bowl four times in his career .

Offensive tackle Bill Fralic was a three-time All-American and was regarded as one of the best offensive linemen ever in college football.

Randy Dixon, 1986, offensive tackle

In 1986 Randy Dixon was named first-team All-American by Kodak, The Sporting News, the Walter Camp Foundation, UPI and the Football News. He was a formidable pass blocker and run blocker, and started three and one-half years for the Panthers. Dixon was an exceptional athlete who would often use finesse to beat his man. He was known as a determined, ambitious, strong worker. He was a starter in the Senior Bowl. In 1987, Dixon was drafted in the fourth round by the Indianapolis Colts, where he is still currently playing.

Tony Woods, 1986, defensive end

When Tony Woods was picked as an honorable mention All-American his junior year it made him very determined for his senior season. Woods was a consistent all-around player who was good in all phases of the game. He battled back from two years of injuries to become an All-American. He led Pitt in sacks for two years in a row and his four-year total of 31 places him in third place on Pitt's all-time list. In 1987, he was a first-round draft pick of the Seattle Seahawks and is currently in his seventh season with them.

Ezekial Gadson, 1987, linebacker

Zeke Gadson made the move from running back to linebacker and became an All-American in his senior season. In his only season as a full-time starter, he set a Pitt record with 24½ sacks. His career total of 26½ sacks ranks fourth on Pitt's all-time list. He had 137 tackles in 1987, including two 17-tackle performances. Following the season he played in the East-West Shrine Game. He was a fifth-round draft choice of the Buffalo Bills.

Craig Heyward, 1987, running back

Craig "Ironhead" Heyward became an All-American in 1987. His 1,791 yards rushing that season was the second-best season ever for a Pitt runner. He joined Tony Dorsett as the only other Pitt player to rush for 100 yards or more in all 12 games. He rushed for a career-high 259 yards against Kent State. In 1987, he set Pitt records for most rushing attempts in a game (42) and for a season (387). Heyward finished fifth in the Heisman Trophy voting. He is second on the all-time Pitt rushing list with 3,086 yards. In 1987, he was a first-round pick of the New Orleans Saints, for whom he played for five seasons (1988-92). He signed with the Atlanta Falcons in 1994.

Jerry Olsavsky, 1988, linebacker

Jerry Olsavsky followed up an outstanding junior season when he was an honorable mention All-American, by becoming a first-team All-American in his senior year. He was a punishing defender who made up for his lack of size with strength, intelligence and aggressiveness. Olsavsky became the first Panther since Hugh Green (1978-80) to record more than 100 tackles in three straight seasons. He played in the East-West Shrine Game where he returned an interception 75 yards for a touchdown. He was the 10th-round pick of the Pittsburgh Steelers and was a key figure in the Steelers' 1995 Super Bowl season.

Mark Stepnoski, 1988, guard

In 1988, Mark Stepnoski picked up numerous awards in addition to becoming an All-America guard. He was given the Pitt Blue-Gold Award which is presented to the graduating athlete with the best combination of academic and athletic achievement, leadership qualities, and citizenship. He was a recipient of the NCAA's Top Six Award, given annually to six senior student athletes based on academics, character, leadership and achievement. He was a National Football Foundation and Hall of Fame Scholar-Athlete Award Winner. Stepnoski became an Academic All-American for the second time and played in the East-West Shrine Game. He was one of three finalists for the Outland Trophy which is given to the outstanding lineman in college football. He was a third-round pick of the Dallas Cowboys and was the starting center for two of the Super Bowl championship teams before leaving for the Houston Oilers in 1995.

Marc Spindler, 1989, defensive tackle

After missing the last half of the 1988 season with a knee injury, Spindler came back strong his junior year and turned in an All-America performance. He was selected as one of 12 semifinalists for the 1989 Lombardi Award. Spindler was one of the hardest workers on the team, and was remembered by many opponents for his jarring hits. Spindler led the Panthers with 78 tackles in 1989 and added four and a half sacks. In 1987 he started every game and set a Pitt record for most tackles as a freshman with 106. In 1989 he left Pitt a year early and was picked in the third round by the Detroit Lions.

Brian Greenfield, 1990, punter

Brian Greenfield was an All-America selection by UPI, The Walter Camp Foundation, The Football Writers Association of America, and The Sporting News. Greenfield came to Pitt in 1989 from Glendale Community College in California, and was the Panthers' regular punter for the 1989 and 1990 seasons. In 1990, he finished the season as the second-ranked punter in the nation with a 45.6 yards per punt average. He holds the Pitt record for longest punt, a 79-yard boomer against Boston College on September 8, 1990.

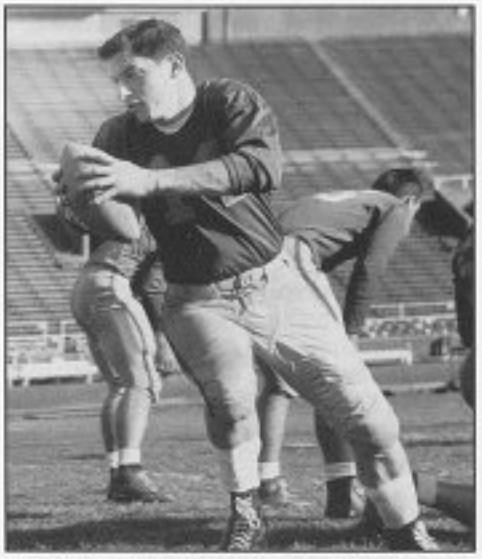
Ruben Brown, 1994, offensive tackle

Ruben Brown was named to the American Football Coaches Association and *Football News*' first-team All-America squads in 1994. A highly regarded defensive line prospect, Brown switched to offensive tackle during his redshirt freshman season and was a mainstay on the offensive line for four straight years. He was selected and played in both the Senior Bowl and Blue-Gray All-Star Classic in 1994. Brown was drafted by the Buffalo Bills, the 14th pick overall, in the first-round of the 1995 NFL Draft. He was selected All-Pro in 1996.

Postseason and All-Star Players

East-West Shrine Game

1925	Horse L. Chase	tackle
1928	Mike Getto	tackle
1930	Eddie Baker	quarterback
1932	James MacMurdo	tackle
1934	Michael Sebastian	halfback
1934	Joseph Skladany	end
1934	Frank Walton	tackle
1935	Charles Hartwig	guard
1935	Miller Munjas	quarterback
1935	Izzy Weinstock	halfback
1938	John Michelosen	quarterback
1938	Frank Souchak	end
1939	Bill Daddio	end
1939	Marshall Goldberg	halfback
1939	Harold Stebbins	halfback
1940	Richard Cassiano	halfback
1940	Ben Kish	fullback
1941	George Kracum	fullback
1942	Ralph Fife	guard
1942	Stan Gervelis	end
1945	George Ranii	guard
1946	Leo Skladany	end
1949	William McPeak	end
1950	Nicholas Bolkovac	tackle
1952	William Reynolds	halfback
1954	Eldred Kraemer	tackle
1954	Robert McQuaide	end
1957	Charley Brueckman	center
1957	Jim McCusker	tackle
1958	John Guzik	guard
1958	Dick Haley	halfback
1958	Art Gob	end
1959	Ivan Toncic	quarterback
1959	Bill Lindner	tackle
1960	Mike Ditka	end
1961	Fred Cox	halfback
1961	Steve Jastrzembski	end
1962	John Draksler	guard
1963	Paul Martha	halfback
1963	Rick Leeson	fullback
1963	Ernie Borghetti	tackle
1964	Fred Mazurek	quarterback
1965	Eric Crabtree	halfback
1965	Joe Novogratz	fullback
1969	Geoff Brown	linebacker
1972	Bob Kuziel	center
1975	Gary Burley	m. guard
1978	Al Chesley	linebacker
1979	Jo Jo Heath	safety
1980	Russ Grimm	center
1980	Rickey Jackson	end
1981	Emil Boures	center
1981	Sal Sunseri	linebacker
1982	Rob Fada	guard
1982	Tim Lewis	def. back
1983	Bill Maas	.def. tackle
1983	Tom Flynn	def. back
1984	Troy Benson	linebacker
1984	Chris Doleman	end
1984	Bill Wallace	end
1985	Bob Buczkowski	def. end
1985	Barry Pettyjohn	center
1987	Ezekial Gadson	linebacker
1987	Gary Richard	cornerback
1988	Burt Grossman	def. end
1988	Tom Ricketts	tackle
1988	Jerry Olsavsky	linebacker
1988	Mark Stepnoski	guard
1989	Alonzo Hampton	cornerback
1989	Roman Matusz	off. tackle
1990	Louis Riddick	def. back
1991	Steve Israel	def. back
1991	Ricardo McDonald	linebacker
1995	Anthony Dorsett	def. back



Quarterback Ivan Toncic played in the 1959 East-West Shrine Game.

Senior Bowl

1953	Joe Schmidt	guard-center
1956	John Cenci	center
1956	Lou Cimarolli	halfback
1956	John Paluck	end
1957	Bob Pollock	tackle
1957	Vince Scorsone	guard
1958	Charley Brueckman	center
1958	Jim McCusker	tackle
1965	Marty Schottenheimer	center
1965	Paul Cercel	center
1967	Jim Flanigan	linebacker
1977	Matt Cavanaugh	quarterback
1977	Randy Holloway	tackle
1977	Elliott Walker	halfback
1977	J.C. Wilson	cornerback
1978	Al Chesley	linebacker
1978	Gordon Jones	end
1978	Jeff Delaney	safety
1979	Jo Jo Heath	safety
1980	Rickey Jackson	def. end
1980	Lynn Thomas	def. back
1980	Randy McMillan	fullback
1980	Benjie Pryor	end
1981	Emil Boures	center
1981	Sal Sunseri	linebacker
1982	Jimbo Covert	tackle
1982	Julius Dawkins	end
1982	Tim Lewis	def. back
1982	Dan Marino	quarterback
1982	Ron Sams	guard
1982	Bryan Thomas	halfback
1983	Jim Sweeney	center
1983	Bill Maas	def. tackle
1983	Tom Flynn	def. back
1983	Dwight Collins	end
1984	Chris Doleman	def. end
1986	Randy Dixon	tackle
1991	Jeff Christy	guard
1992	Alex Van Pelt	quarterback
1994	Ruben Brown	off. tackle
1994	Curtis Martin	halfback
1995	Tom Tumulty	linebacker
1995	Dietrich Jells	wide receiver

College All-Star Game

1934	Michael Sebastian	halfback
1934	Joseph Skladany	end
1934	Frank Walton	tackle
1935	Miller Munjas	quarterback
1935	George Shotwell	guard
1937	Averell Daniell	tackle
1937	Bill Glassford	guard
1937	Robert LaRue	halfback
1938	Frank Patrick	fullback
1939	Bill Daddio	end
1939	Marshall Goldberg	halfback
1940	Richard Cassiano	halfback
1940	Ben Kish	fullback
1941	George Kracum	fullback
1945	Ernest Bonelli	fullback
1953	Billy Reynolds	halfback
1954	Dick Deitrick	end
1955	Eldred Kraemer	tackle
1956	John Paluck	end
1957	Vince Scorsone	guard
1957	Joe Walton	end
1958	Jim McCusker	tackle
1959	Dick Haley	halfback
1959	John Guzik	guard
1961	Mike Ditka	end
1961	Ed Sharockman	halfback
1964	Paul Martha	halfback
1964	Ernie Borghetti	tackle
1964	John Maczuzak	tackle
1965	Marty Schottenheimer	center
1967	Jim Flanigan	linebacker
1971	Charles Hall	def. back
1972	Bob Kuziel	center

Blue-Gray All-Star Classic

1939	Steve Petro	guard
1939	John Chickerneo	quarterback
1940	Bob Thurbon	halfback
1944	Ernie Bonelli	halfback
1945	Francis Mattioli	guard
1945	John Kosh	center
1948	Leo Skladany	end
1949	Bernie Barkouskie	guard
1949	Carl DePasqua	fullback
1951	Bob Bestwick	quarterback
1951	Chris Warriner	end
1952	Joe Bozek	end
1953	Dick Deitrick	end
1957	Richard Scherer	end
1959	Fred Riddle	fullback
1961	Larry Vignali	guard
1963	John Maczuzak	tackle
1969	Bob Ellis	end
1969	Dave Dibbley	halfback
1971	Charles Hall	def. back
1974	Mike Bulino	def. back
1984	Marlon McIntyre	fullback
1984	Melvin Dean	def. back
1986	Tom Brown	fullback
1988	Burt Grossman	def. end
1988	Cornell Holloway	def. back
1988	Troy Washington	safety
1990	Louis Riddick	def. back
1991	Jeff Christy	guard
1991	Ricardo McDonald	linebacker
1991	Scott Miller	tackle
1992	Alex Van Pelt	quarterback
1994	Tom Barndt	def. end
1994	Ruben Brown	off. tackle
1994	Curtis Martin	halfback
1994	Lawson Mollica	center
1994	John Majors	head coach
1994	Charlie Coe	asst. coach
1995	Tom Tumulty	linebacker
1995	Anthony Dorsett	def. back

Postseason and All-Star Players

Hula Bowl

1953	Billy Reynolds	halfback
1957	Joe Walton	end
1958	Charley Brueckman	center
1959	John Guzik	guard
1960	Bill Lindner	tackle
1961	Mike Ditka	end
1962	Fred Cox	halfback
1964	Paul Martha	halfback
1964	Rick Leeson	fullback
1964	Ernie Borghetti	tackle
1965	Eric Crabtree	tackle
1965	Joe Novogratz	linebacker
1969	Geoff Brown	linebacker
1971	Charles Hall	def. back
1972	Bob Kuziel	center
1973	Jim Buckmon	def. end
1975	Tom Perko	linebacker
1976	Tony Dorsett	running back
1976	Al Romano	middle guard
1976	Jim Corbett	tight end
1977	Tom Brzoza	center
1977	Bob Jury	safety
1978	Jeff Delaney	safety
1978	Matt Carroll	guard
1978	Gordon Jones	end
1978	Dave Logan	tackle
1979	Jeff Pelusi	linebacker
1980	Hugh Green	def. end
1980	Mark May	tackle
1980	Randy McMillan	fullback
1980	Benjie Pryor	end
1981	Pappy Thomas	def. back
1982	Jimbo Covert	tackle
1982	Julius Dawkins	end
1982	Dan Marino	quarterback
1983	Jim Sweeney	center
1984	Bill Fralic	tackle
1985	Bill Callahan	safety
1987	Jon Carter	end
1987	Quintin Jones	cornerback
1988	Burt Grossman	def. end
1989	Tony Siragusa	def. tackle
1991	Steve Israel	def. back

Coaches' All-American Game

1974	Rod Kirby	linebacker
1974	Jim Buckmon	def. end
1974	Glenn Hyde	def. tackle

All-American Bowl

1973	Rod Kirby	linebacker
1974	Gary Burley	middle guard
1974	Mike Bulino	def. back
1974	Mike Carey	center

Martin Luther King All-America Classic

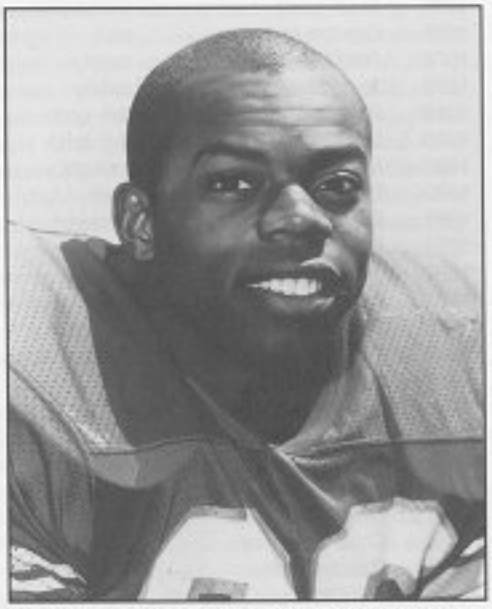
1989	Bill Cherpak	off. guard
1989	Chris Goetz	off. guard
1989	Tom Sims	def. tackle
1989	Tony Siragusa	def. tackle
1989	Carnel Smith	def. end

North-South Game

1949	Lou Cecconi	halfback
1952	Joe Schmidt	guard-center
1958	Bill Kaliden	quarterback
1958	Ed Michaels	guard
1959	Serafino Fazio	center
1960	Ron Delfine	end
1960	Paul Hodge	guard
1962	Ed Clark	halfback
1962	Gary Kaltenbach	tackle
1962	Tom Brown	guard
1963	Al Grigaliunas	end
1963	Jeff Ware	guard
1965	Ken Lucas	quarterback
1965	Fred Hoaglin	center
1971	Ralph Cindrich	linebacker

Japan Bowl

1975	Tom Perko	linebacker
1976	Tony Dorsett	running back
1976	Al Romano	middle guard
1976	Jim Corbett	tight end
1977	Tom Brzoza	center
1977	Bob Jury	safety
1978	Matt Carroll	guard
1978	Dave Logan	tackle
1979	Ralph Still	end
1980	Hugh Green	def. end
1980	Russ Grimm	center
1980	Mark May	tackle
1980	Terry White	def. back
1981	Wayne DiBartola	running back
1981	Pappy Thomas	def. back
1982	J.C. Pelusi	middle guard
1987	Gary Richard	cornerback
1989	Roman Matusz	off. tackle
1989	Dan Crossman	def. back
1992	Alex Van Pelt	quarterback



Tim Lewis, a former Pitt player and coach who is currently the Pittsburgh Steelers defensive backs coach, played in the 1982 East-West Shrine game and Senior Bowl.

Churchmen's All-American Team

1973	Dave Blandino
1974	Mike Carey (2nd team)
1975	Al Romano
1976	Al Romano
1977	Jeff Delaney
1977	Dave Trout (H. Mention)
1978	Jeff Delaney
1978	Dave Trout

Academic All-American Team

1952	Dick Deitrick
1954	Lou Palatella
1956	Joe Walton
1958	John Guzik
1959	Bill Lindner
1976	Jeff Delaney
1978	Jeff Delaney
1980	Greg Meisner
1981	Rob Fada

SPECIAL AWARDS

John W. Heisman Memorial Trophy

Awarded annually to the outstanding college football player by the Downtown Athletic Club of New York.

»1976 Tony Dorsett

Lombardi Award

Presented each year to the outstanding college lineman or linebacker by the Rotary Club of Houston.

»1980 Hugh Green

Outland Trophy

Presented each year by the Football Writers Association of America to the outstanding collegiate interior lineman.

»1980 Mark May

Maxwell Award

Highlights the top college player in the nation and is presented by the Maxwell Club of Philadelphia.

»1976 Tony Dorsett
»1980 Hugh Green

Walter Camp Award

Presented by the Walter Camp Football Foundation to the college player of the year.

»1976 Tony Dorsett
»1980 Hugh Green (Only defensive player to win the award since its inception in 1969.)
»1988 Mark Stepnoski

Timmie Award

Presented by the Washington D.C. Downtown Athletic Club to the college lineman of the year.

»1994 Ruben Brown

Captains

Year	Captain(s)
1905	Joe Thompson
1906	Gilbert Miller
1907	Calvin Marshall
1908	Quincy Banbury
1909	Homer Roe
1910	Tex Richards
1911	Jack Lindsay
1912	Polly Galvin
1913	Hube Wagner
1914	Wayne Smith
1915	Guy Williamson
1916	Bob Peck
1917	H.C. Carlson
1918	George McLaren
1919	Jimmy DeHart
1920	Herbert Stein
1921	Tom Davies
1922	Tom Holleran
1923	Lloyd Jordan
1924	Noble Frank
1925	Ralph Chase
1926	Blair McMillan
1927	Gibby Welch
1928	Alex Fox
1929	Luby DiMeolo
1930	Eddie Baker
1931	Eddie Hirshberg
1932	Paul Reider
1933	None
1934	Charles Hartwig
1935	Nick Kliskey
1936	None
1937	John Michelosen
1938	Game Captains
1939	Game Captains
1940	Game Captains
1941	Game Captains
1942	Game Captains
1943	Game Captains
1944	Game Captains
1945	Game Captains
1946	Jack Durisham, Bill McPeak
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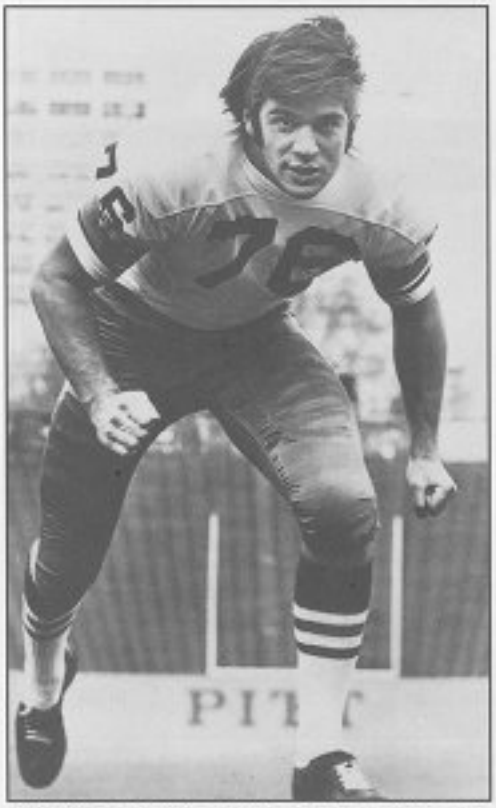
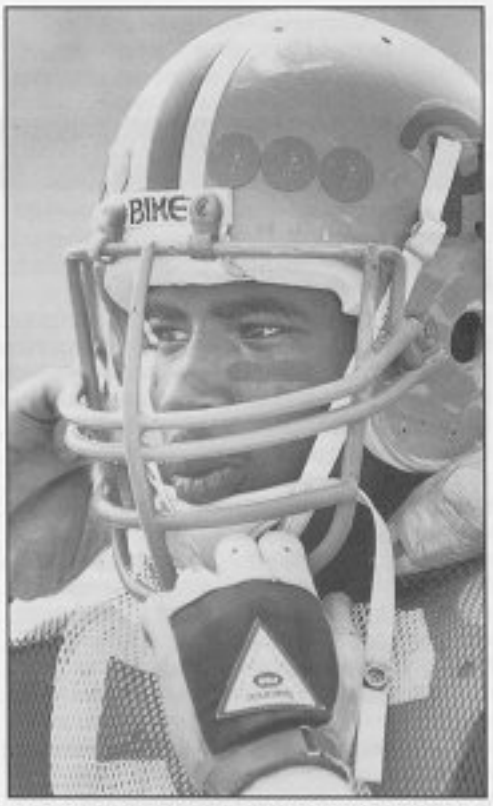
1948	Bill McPeak
1949	Lou Cecconi
1950	Nick Bolkovac
1951	Rudy Andabaker, Bob Brennan
1952	Joe Schmidt
1953	Dick Deitrick
1954	Henry Ford, Lou Palatella
1955	Hal Hunter, John Cenci
1956	Joe Walton, Bob Pollock
1957	Charley Brueckman Jim McCusker
1958	Ed Micheals, Don Crafton
1959	Bill Lindner, Ken Montanari
1960	Mike Ditka
1961	Game Captains
1962	Tom Brown, Gary Kaltenbach
1963	Al Grigaliunas
1964	Ray Popp
1965	Phil Dahar
1966	Jim Flanigan
1967	Dave Drake
1968	Harry Orszulak, Ed Gallin, Ed Whitaker
1969	Game Captains
1970	Game Captains
1971	Jack Dykes, John Simpson
1972	John Moss, Rick Lozier, Reggie Frye
1973	Dave Wannstedt, Rodney Kirby, Jim Buckmon
1974	Mike Carey, Bill Daniels, Kelcy Daviston
1975	Dennis Moorhead, Tom Perko
1976	Tony Dorsett, Jim Corbett, Arnie Weatherington
1977	Tom Brzoza, Matt Cavanaugh, Randy Holloway, Bob Jury
1978	Gordon Jones, Jeff Delaney, Al Chesley, Matt Carroll
1979	Jeff Pelusi, Jo Jo Heath, Dan Fidler
1980	Hugh Green, Rickey Jackson, Bill Neill, Rick Trocano, Mark May, Russ Grimm
1981	Sal Sunseri, Emil Boures
1982	Dan Marino, Jimbo Covert, J.C. Pelusi, Yogi Jones
1983	Tom Flynn, Troy Hill, Jim Sweeney
1984	Bill Fralic, Chris Doleman, Troy Benson
1985	John Congemi, Bill Callahan, Dennis Atiyeh
1986	Steve Apke, Randy Dixon, Tony Woods
1987	Jon Carter, Ed Miller, Billy Owens
1988	Jerry Olsavsky, Tom Ricketts, Mark Stepnoski, Troy Washington
1989	Robert Bradley, Dan Crossman, Roman Matusz
1990	Alex Van Pelt, Craig Gob, Louis Riddick, Eric Holzworth
1991	Alex Van Pelt, Ricardo McDonald, Sean Gilbert, Eric Seaman
1992	Game Captains
1993	Tom Barndt, Doug Whaley, Curtis Martin
1994	Tom Barndt, Ruben Brown, Lawson Mollica
1995	Tom Tumulty (Captain), Mike Halapin, David Sumner, Jon McCray
1996	Jason Chavis, Billy West, Curtis Anderson



Dave Wannstedt, now the coach of the Chicago Bears, captained the 1973 Panthers.



Chris Doleman was one of the Panthers' captains during the 1984 season.

Bowl History

Rose Bowl
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STANFORD	0	0	7	0	--	7
PITT	0	0	6	0	--	6

Pitt's first bowl trip resembled a politician's whistle-stop tour -- wherever Pitt was at lunchtime during its trek west, it practiced. The routine was simple: deboard the train around 11:15; explore the day's town until noon; lunch at 12; walk lunch off, then practice; reboard the train. So it was that Pitt practiced in Dodge City, Albuquerque and Winslow, Arizona, on the way to Pasadena. The game had a sentimental storyline: the coach against his mentor. Panther Coach John B. "Jock" Sutherland had played for Stanford Coach Glenn "Pop" Warner when the latter was at Pitt. Amidst all that, the game, although close, was controlled by Stanford. Pitt grabbed a 6-0 third-quarter lead when Jimmy Hagan scooped up a Cardinal fumble and ran 20 yards for a touchdown. The extra point was missed. Stanford, which made several marches deep into Pitt territory, finally scored on an unusual play. On fourth-and-goal at the two, Stanford quarterback Biff Hoffman completed a pass to Bob Sims, but it was short of the goal line. Sims was hit and fumbled, but Frank Wilton picked up the loose ball and carried it in to tie the game. Hoffman's extra point won it, 7-6. Pitt, a slight favorite entering the game, mustered very little offense in its first of four Rose Bowl games.

Rose Bowl
January 1, 1930
Pasadena, California
The Rose Bowl

SOUTHERN CAL	13	13	14	7	--	47
PITT	0	0	7	7	--	14

If vintage football films give you the impression that the game of the 20s and 30s was run, run, and run again, think again. USC's Trojans bombed Pitt with an all-out passing attack. The game started on a bright note for "Jock" Sutherland's team when Toby Uansa rushed 68 yards on Pitt's first play. Pitt failed to score, then the walls caved in. Gaius Shaver connected with Henry Edelson for a 55-yard touchdown. Later in the quarter, Shaver hit Ernest Pinckert for a 28-yard score, capitalizing on a Pitt fumble. Another fumble led to USC's third touchdown, a short run which opened the score to 19-0. Two Jesses set up the Trojans' next score when Jesse Mortensen and Jesse Hill teamed for a 51-yard pass play. Russell Saunders helped convert a USC interception into a 33-0 lead with his 13-yard scoring run. Pitt finally broke through in the third quarter when Uansa threw a 28-yard pass to William Wallinchus. Southern Cal sandwiched two more long touchdown passes (38 and 62 yards) around a Tom Parkinson-to-Paul Collins 36-yard TD pass for Pitt to arrive at the final score. In all, the Trojans scored the most points against Pitt since 1903. It would be Sutherland's second-worst margin of defeat in his 15 seasons at Pitt; the worst would come three years later, also against USC in the Rose Bowl.

Rose Bowl
January 2, 1933
Pasadena, California
The Rose Bowl

SOUTHERN CAL	7	0	7	21	--	35
PITT	0	0	0	0	--	0

Pitt's coach, John B. "Jock" Sutherland, would try a new ploy after two Rose Bowl losses, so he took the team to Tucson to practice for its first Rose Bowl win. Instead Sutherland suffered the worst loss in his Pitt career. It was the first time since 1928 that Pitt was shut out and actually lost the game; it had played four scoreless ties since a 6-0 loss to Carnegie Tech. With 83,000 in attendance, the Panthers stayed close until the fourth quarter before collapsing. USC's Homer Griffith threw, and later caught, a touchdown pass as the Trojans built a 14-0 lead through three quarters. After Irvine Warburton scored to make the score 21-0, Pitt fumbled the kickoff, and Warburton scored again shortly thereafter. A blocked punt set up the final touchdown. Several Panthers were singled out by the crowd with standing ovations: ends Ted Dailey and Joe Skladany, guard Charles Hartwig, and back Warren Heller, who rushed for 63 yards in the final game of his brilliant Pitt career.

Rose Bowl
January 1, 1937
Pasadena, California
The Rose Bowl

WASHINGTON	0	0	0	0	--	0
PITT	7	0	7	7	--	21

"Jock" Sutherland was intent on winning the Rose Bowl in his fourth try. To that end, Pitt spent two weeks working out on the west coast, for Sutherland was not going to accept 0-4 in Rose Bowl play. His tactics worked, and captain Bobby LaRue led Pitt to a 21-0 victory. LaRue's running set up the first touchdown of the game, which, fittingly, he scored. LaRue's 50-yard run in the third quarter, which would have gone 75 yards for the touchdown if not for a diving tackle, set up Frank Patrick's touchdown. Pitt led, 14-0, after three quarters. The defense added a late touchdown, returning an interception. So elated was Sutherland that he substituted every player who made the trip, so each could forever relate the experience of playing in a Rose Bowl victory. After four tries, the coach had finally overcome one of the few obstacles in his remarkable career.

Pitt's Bowl Game History

Year	Bowl	Opponent	Pitt	Opp.	Record
1927*	Rose Bowl	Stanford	6	7	8-1-1
1929*	Rose Bowl	U.S.C	14	47	9-1
1932*	Rose Bowl	U.S.C.	0	35	8-1-2
1936*	Rose Bowl	Washington	21	0	8-1-1
1955*	Sugar Bowl	Georgia Tech	0	7	7-4
1956	Gator Bowl	Georgia Tech	14	21	7-3-1
1973	Fiesta Bowl	Arizona State	7	28	6-5-1
1975	Sun Bowl	Kansas	33	19	8-4
1976*	Sugar Bowl	Georgia	27	3	12-0
1977	Gator Bowl	Clemson	34	3	9-2-1
1978	Tangerine Bowl	N.C. State	17	30	8-4
1979	Fiesta Bowl	Arizona	16	10	11-1
1980	Gator Bowl	South Carolina	37	9	11-1
1981*	Sugar Bowl	Georgia	24	20	11-1
1982*	Cotton Bowl	S.M.U.	3	7	9-3
1983*	Fiesta Bowl	Ohio State	23	28	8-3-1
1987	Bluebonnet Bowl	Texas	27	32	8-4
1989	John Hancock Bowl	Texas A&M	31	28	8-3-1

*Game played on New Year's Day, or January 2 of following calendar year

Total Points: Pitt 334, Opponents 334

Bowl History

Sugar Bowl
January 2, 1956
New Orleans, Louisiana
The Sugar Bowl

GEORGIA TECH	7	0	0	0	--	7
PITT	0	0	0	0	--	0

A controversial pass interference penalty against Pitt's Bobby Grier, the first black man ever to play in the Sugar Bowl, put Georgia Tech on the doorstep for the game's only touchdown. Pitt, under new Head Coach John Michelosen -- the only man in Pitt history to play and coach in bowl games (he was a quarterback on the 1936 Rose Bowl team) -- had several chances to tie the game but hit a wall of futility. Grier's penalty gave Tech the ball on the 1, from where Wade Mitchell snuck in for the score. A fumble killed a first-quarter drive, then quarterback Corny Salvaterra was stopped on a fourth-and-goal just before halftime. Pitt's Ray DiPasquale intercepted a pass to squelch a fourth quarter threat by Tech. In the final moments, Pitt made a furious attempt to tie the game. The Panthers, who were penalized twice on the last drive, were on Tech's 5-yard line when time ran out.

Corny Salvaterra quarterbacked the Panthers in a pair of bowl games against Georgia Tech.

Gator Bowl
December 29, 1956
Jacksonville, Florida
The Gator Bowl

GEORGIA TECH	7	7	7	0	--	21
PITT	0	7	7	0	--	14

Coach John Michelosen's team had wanted a rematch with Georgia Tech, but the result was the same -- a seven-point loss. Pitt outgained Tech by 106 yards, 313-207, but was plagued by turnovers. Georgia Tech converted an early interception into a touchdown and a 7-0 lead. Pitt was stopped on a goal-line stand at the start of the second quarter, and Tech increased its lead late in the quarter with a halfback-option TD pass. Pitt quarterback Corny Salvaterra hit Dick Bowen with a 36-yard scoring pass just before the half, and Pitt trailed, 14-7. Bowen's fumble on the second-half kickoff set up the clinching touchdown. Pitt pulled to within seven on Salvaterra's sneak, but could draw no closer.

Fiesta Bowl
December 21, 1973
Tempe, Arizona
Sun Devil Stadium

ARIZONA STATE	7	0	3	18	--	28
PITT	7	0	0	0	--	7

A new era in Pitt football was ushered in with the Panthers' first bowl appearance in 17 years. Coach-of-the-Year Johnny Majors had revived a struggling program and Pitt was 6-4-1 entering this game. Freshman Tony Dorsett was a big part of the turnaround, rushing for 1,686 yards. Pitt struck first, with Dorsett scoring two plays after Tom Perko recovered Arizona State quarterback Danny White's fumble on the first play of the game. But the Sun Devils, playing on their own field, proved too tough. Woody Green scored four plays after Dorsett's touchdown to tie the game. Arizona State scored three touchdowns in 6:04 of the fourth quarter, and although Pitt blocked all three extra points, the game ended one-sided after being tied at halftime. Dorsett rushed for 100 yards, but Pitt turned the ball over seven times. Both quarterbacks, White and Pitt's Billy Daniels, threw three interceptions, but White completed 14 of 19 for 269 yards. Daniels was 7-20 for just 57 yards.

Elliott Walker rushed for 123 yards on 11 carries in Pitt's 33-19 victory against Kansas in the 1975 Sun Bowl.

Sun Bowl
December 26, 1975
El Paso, Texas
Sun Bowl Stadium

KANSAS	0	0	7	12	--	19
PITT	7	12	0	14	--	33

A player rushing for 100 yards is impressive. Two players on the same team is remarkable. Three is unheard of, but that is how Pitt knocked off Kansas. Elliott Walker (11 carries for 123 yards, 11.2 average) got the ball rolling with a 60-yard touchdown run in the first quarter. Tony Dorsett (27-142) scored two touchdowns in the second quarter. Pitt had nearly 300 rushing yards at the intermission. Quarterback Robert Haygood ran the veer offense to perfection, rushing for 101 yards (14 carries) when he wasn't busy pitching out to Dorsett. Haygood also connected with Gordon Jones for a touchdown after Walker scored his second of the game. Jones set up his own touchdown with a 63-yard kickoff return. With eight wins, Pitt had its best season since 1963. Dorsett rushed for 1,686 yards on the season, matching his 1973 total.

Sugar Bowl
January 1, 1977
New Orleans, Louisiana
The Superdome

GEORGIA	0	0	3	0	--	3
PITT	7	14	3	3	--	27

The many remarkable accomplishments Tony Dorsett achieved in his four years at Pitt were punctuated by his role in this win, one that gave Pitt its first national championship in 39 years. Dorsett, quarterback Matt Cavanaugh, and a marauding defense just would not be denied in the first indoor Sugar Bowl game. Cavanaugh, named the game's MVP, scored from 6 yards out to give Pitt a 7-0 lead. The celebration of that touchdown became a Sports Illustrated cover that can be seen at several sites around Pitt's campus. The photo headline simply read: "PITT IS IT!" Gordon Jones turned a short pass into a 59-yard touchdown excursion in the second quarter. Dorsett's 10-yard score late in the half cemented the victory. He was far from through, however. After gaining 65 yards in the first half, the Heisman Trophy winner exploded in the second to finish with a Sugar Bowl record 202 yards rushing, including 67 on one run that set up one of Carson Long's two second-half field goals. The defense created six turnovers, and limited the Bulldogs to 181 yards. Pitt defenders actually caught more Georgia passes than did Georgia receivers (four interceptions, compared to three completions in 22 attempts). Vince Dooley, Georgia's head coach, said this about the 12-0 Panthers: "They proved today they are the best in the country. They have amazing balance; they are the best defensive team we've seen -- I think that is obvious. They are also the best offensive team we've faced." Pitt coach Johnny Majors, who completed his four-year stint at Pitt with a 33-13-1 record (after a combined 13-29 mark in the previous four years) was named Coach-of-the-Year for the second time at Pitt.

Bowl History

Gator Bowl
December 30, 1977
Jacksonville, Florida
The Gator Bowl

CLEMSON	0	3	0	0	--	3
PITT	10	7	7	10	--	34

Pitt set five Gator Bowl records for offensive proficiency in an astounding demolition of the highly regarded Clemson Tigers. Matt Cavanaugh completed 23 of 36 passes for 387 yards and four touchdowns as Pitt outgained Clemson, 566-268. Three scoring tosses went to fullback Elliott Walker, who joined Tony Dorsett as the second Pitt back ever to rush for 1,000 yards in a season. Gordon Jones scored the other TD on one of his 10 receptions for 163 yards. Cavanaugh threw for 211 yards and two touchdowns in the first half alone. Clemson's vaunted passing combination of Steve Fuller-to-Jerry Butler was rendered ineffective by a Pitt secondary which swooped in for four interceptions, two by senior safety Bob Jury. Cavanaugh, an All-American in 1977, missed part of the season after suffering a broken wrist against Notre Dame in the first game of the year. "I shudder to think what he could have done had he stayed healthy," said Panther Coach Jackie Sherrill, who finished his first year at Pitt with a 9-2-1 mark.

Tangerine Bowl
December 23, 1978
Orlando, Florida
Tangerine Bowl

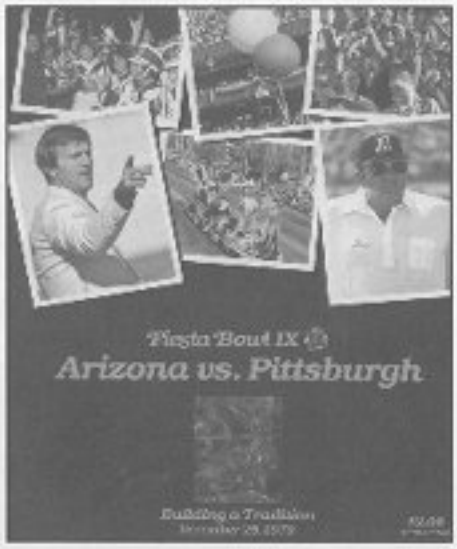
N.C. STATE	7	10	3	10	--	30
PITT	0	0	3	14	--	17

The Panthers saved their worst performance of the season for this bowl outing with North Carolina State. Primarily a running team in 1978, Pitt attempted to open it up on this night, throwing 48 passes. Four were intercepted, however. The Wolfpack, led by star running back Ted Brown, rolled up a 23-3 fourth quarter lead before Pitt quarterback Rick Trocano tried to bring the Panthers back. An 18-play drive featured four fourth-down conversions, the last of which resulted in a Freddie Jacobs touchdown. Pitt moved to State's 34-yard line with five minutes remaining, but an interception settled the issue. Trocano was intercepted twice more before the game ended, but he also led Pitt to the game's final touchdown. "Execution on our part was our biggest problem," Coach Jackie Sherrill said. "We didn't play well. . .and the turnovers hurt us." Pitt finished 8-4.

Fiesta Bowl
December 25, 1979
Tempe, Arizona
Sun Devil Stadium

ARIZONA	0	0	3	7	--	10
PITT	3	3	7	3	--	16

Pitt finished the 1979 season with a ten-game winning streak, built in part around the arm of freshman quarterback Dan Marino. The season finale came on Christmas Day, with the Panthers rounding out an 11-1 campaign with a 16-10 win over Arizona. The Wildcats, coached by former Pitt radio commentator Tony Mason, threatened often but did not score a touchdown until the game's waning moments. Junior cornerback Terry White intercepted two passes. One set up the second of three Mark Schubert field goals; the other allowed Pitt to run out the clock. Two of Schubert's kicks were from 46 yards out. Pitt's only touchdown came after a 12-play drive, with Marino hitting Benjie Pryor from 12 yards out. The last three plays of the drive: Marino to Mike Dombrowski for 34 yards, Marino to Ralph Still for 24 yards, and the touchdown.



Game program from 1979 Fiesta Bowl.

Gator Bowl
December 29, 1980
Jacksonville, Florida
The Gator Bowl

S. CAROLINA	0	3	0	6	--	9
PITT	10	7	17	3	--	37

Pitt's defense wanted this game badly. Its leader for four years, Hugh Green, finished second in the Heisman Trophy voting behind South Carolina's George Rogers. With the chance to avenge that result, Pitt smothered the Gamecocks with a swarming defense and an efficient offense. Rick Trocano and Dan Marino split time at quarterback; each threw a touchdown pass and Trocano added a short TD run. Although Rogers gained 113 yards, his two fumbles were more of a factor in the game than his rushing output. Tom Flynn recovered Rogers' fumble on the first play of the game, leading to Trocano's score. Randy McMillan scored two touchdowns as Pitt rolled to a 37-3 lead. The defense was led by Rickey Jackson, who made 19 tackles (14 solos). Pitt finished the season 11-1.

Sugar Bowl
January 1, 1982
New Orleans, Louisiana
The Superdome

GEORGIA	0	7	6	7	--	20
PITT	0	3	7	14	--	24

One of the most dramatic finishes in Pitt football history gave Pitt its second Sugar Bowl win over Georgia. Pitt trailed, 20-17, with 42 seconds remaining. It faced a fourth-and-5 at the Bulldog 33. Coach Jackie Sherrill disdained the potential 50-yard field goal attempt. "With five minutes to go I said we were not here to tie, we were here to win," Sherrill said. Dan Marino wanted to throw a short pass to a running back to get the first down, but a Georgia blitz left tight end John Brown in single coverage down the middle. Marino was right on target for the touchdown, his third of the game. The Panther defense limited Herschel Walker to 84 yards on 25 carries.

John Brown (left) and Dan Marino celebrate their game-winning touchdown play in the closing minutes of the 1982 Sugar Bowl. Pitt beat Georgia, 24-20.

Bowl History

Cotton Bowl
January 1, 1983
Dallas, Texas
The Cotton Bowl

SMU	0	0	0	7	--	7
PITT	0	0	3	0	--	3

The Panthers' season came to a dismal end as Pitt lost to Southern Methodist in the Mustangs' own backyard. Dan Marino, in his last game at Pitt, was plagued by dropped passes on the cold, rainy day. He completed 19 of 37 for 181 yards. Fumbles were the story of the first quarter. Joe McCall lost one at the SMU one-yard line, but Mustang QB Lance McIlhenny returned the favor with a fumble at the Pitt seven. Eric Schubert's missed field goal attempt left the game scoreless at the half. Marino completed five straight short passes to set up Schubert's 43-yard kick which gave Pitt its only points. SMU's "Pony Express" backfield (Eric Dickerson and Craig James) led an 80-yard drive, which McIlhenny capped off with a nine-yard run. Pitt's last chance ended when a Marino pass was tipped and intercepted in the end zone.

Fiesta Bowl
January 2, 1984
Tempe, Arizona
Sun Devil Stadium

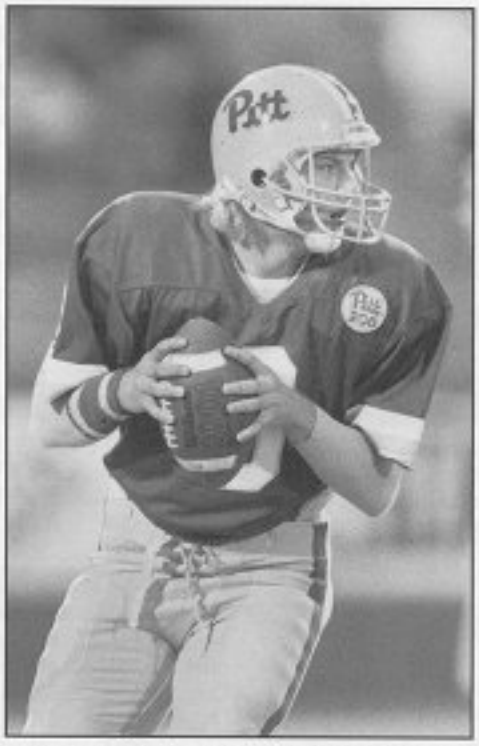
OHIO STATE	7	7	0	14	--	28
PITT	0	7	0	16	--	23

John Congemi completed a school-record 31 passes for 341 yards, but a late Ohio State touchdown pass spoiled Congemi's, and Pitt's, afternoon. Congemi's second-quarter touchdown pass to tight end Clint Wilson tied the score at 7-7, but the Buckeyes led, 14-7, entering the fourth quarter. Wilson fell on Joe McCall's fumble in the end zone to tie the score early in the fourth quarter. Ohio State's Keith Byars scored his second touchdown by returning the ensuing kickoff 99 yards. Congemi was six-for-six on Pitt's next touchdown drive, which culminated with an 11-yard pass to Dwight Collins. Congemi, who completed 19-of-27 in the second half, had his conversion pass broken up, and Pitt trailed, 21-20. A 17-play drive later in the quarter ended with Snuffy Everett's 37-yard field goal to put the Panthers on top. Quarterback Mike Tomczak led Ohio State back, ending an 89-yard drive with a 39-yard bomb to Thad Jemison, who scored with 39 seconds remaining. Head Coach Foge Fazio's Panthers drove to the Buckeye 24, but could get no further.

Bluebonnet Bowl
December 31, 1987
Houston, Texas
The Astrodome

TEXAS	14	3	3	12	--	32
PITT	7	0	7	13	--	27

Despite late heroics from Larry Wanke, Pitt was grounded in this aerial circus, as Texas quarterback Brett Stafford and split end Tony Jones set Bluebonnet Bowl records. The New Year's Eve crowd was treated to an action-packed game from the start. Stafford connected with Jones for a 77-yard touchdown on the first play from scrimmage. Pitt retaliated quickly: Billy Owens returned the kickoff 45 yards, Billy Osborn hit Reggie Williams for 45 more yards on a trick play; then Craig Heyward tied the score with a four-yard burst. Six plays later, the Longhorns took the lead for good as Stafford hit Jones on a short pass that he broke for a 60-yard touchdown. Stafford finished the first quarter with 202 yards passing on the way to a 368-yard night. Jones set records for receiving yards and longest reception. Wanke replaced Darnell Dickerson early in the third quarter after Dickerson suffered a knee injury. Wanke completed 8 of 20 passes for 172 yards and three touchdowns, including two late in the fourth quarter that cut the Longhorns' lead to five. Heyward rushed for 136 yards, winning his personal battle with Texas star Eric Metcalf, who finished with 95 yards rushing. Heyward ended the season with 1,791 yards, second-best in Pitt history. Pitt finished the year at 8-4, their most successful season since 1983.



Larry Wanke led an impressive second-half comeback, but Pitt fell short against Texas, 32-27, in the 1987 Bluebonnet Bowl.

Alex Van Pelt was named MVP of the 1989 John Hancock Bowl, when the Panthers defeated Texas A&M, 31-28.

John Hancock Bowl
December 30, 1989
El Paso, Texas
Sun Bowl Stadium

TEXAS A&M	7	3	12	6	--	28
PITT	7	10	7	7	--	31

Led by bowl MVP Alex Van Pelt's 354 yards passing, Pitt parlayed a John Hancock Bowl-record 530 yards in offense into a 31-28 come-from-behind victory over Texas A&M. It was a day of firsts for the Panthers. Paul Hackett, named head coach moments before kickoff, won his first game as a head coach. It also was Pitt's first bowl win since the Panthers' 24-20 Sugar Bowl victory over Georgia in 1982. Van Pelt, who completed 20 of 40 passes and threw for two touchdowns, rallied the Panthers from a 28-24 deficit, when he connected with Henry Tuten on a 44-yard touchdown strike with just 2:19 remaining in the game, giving Pitt a 31-28 lead. Tailback Curvin Richards rushed for 156 yards on 23 carries and scored the first points of the game with a 12-yard TD. Texas A&M countered with a nine-yard touchdown run by quarterback Lance Pavlas, tying the score at 7-7 to end the first quarter. With the score tied at 10 late in the first half, Van Pelt threw an eight-yard touchdown pass to Ronald Redmon, giving Pitt a 17-10 halftime lead. Flanker Olanda Truitt completed his freshman season in stellar fashion, catching four passes for 124 yards, including a key 59-yard reception that set up Redmon's score. Carnel Smith finished the game with 10 tackles and Barry Threats had a game-ending interception, which ended Texas A&M's final drive and secured the Panthers' victory. The Hancock Bowl win marked the end of another decade in Pitt football history and the dawn of the Hackett coaching era. The Panthers finished the 1989 season with an 8-3-1 record.

The Panthers on Television

Date	Opponent	Score Pitt/Opp.	Coverage	Network
1951				
Sept. 29	Duke	14-19	R	
1953				
Oct. 31	Minnesota	14-35	N	
1954				
Oct. 23	Northwestern	14-7	N	ABC
1955				
Sept. 24	at Syracuse	22-12	R	NBC
Jan. 2, 1956*	Georgia Tech	0-7	N	NBC
*Sugar Bowl				
1956				
Dec. 8	at Miami (Fla.)	14-7	N	NBC
Dec. 29*	Georgia Tech	14-21	N	CBS
*Gator Bowl				
\1957				
Dec. 7	at Miami (Fla.)	13-28	N	NBC
1958				
Oct. 25	Army	14-14	R	NBC
Nov. 8	Notre Dame	29-26	R	NBC
1959				
Nov. 7	at B. College	22-14	N	NBC
Nov. 14	Notre Dame	28-13	R	NBC
1960				
Sept. 2	Michigan State	7-7	N	ABC
1961				
Sept. 1	at Miami (Fla.)	10-7	N	ABC
1962				
Sept.15	Miami (Fla.).	14-23	N	CBS
1963				
Oct. 19	at W. Virginia	13-10	R	CBS
1964				
Sept.12	UCLA	12-17	N	NBC
Oct. 31	at Syracuse	6-21	R	NBC
1965				
Oct. 9	at Duke	13-21	N	NBC
1973				
Dec. 21#*	Arizona State	7-28	N	MIZLOU
#*Fiesta Bowl.				
1974				
Nov. 2	Penn State**	10-31	N	ABC
1975				
Nov. 8	at W. Virginia	14-17	R	ABC
Nov. 2	Penn State**	6-7	N	ABC
Dec. 26*	Kansas	33-19	N	CBS
*Sun Bowl.				

Pitt's Television Records

Pitt 's All-Time TV Record: (130) 61-64-5
Pitt's TV Record in Night Games: (23) 12-10-1

National Cable: (36) 17-18-1
National Network: (43) 15-27-1
Regional Network: (19) 14-4-1
Regional Cable: (37) 19-16-2
Home Games: (59) 27-30-2
Away Games: (57) 27-27-3
Bowl Games: (14) 7-7-0
ABC: (33) 18-14-1
CBS: (14) 5-9
NBC: (15) 6-8-1
ESPN: (26) 13-12-1
USA: (8) 5-3-0
MIZLOU: (3) 1-2-0
WTBS: (1) 0-1-0
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Katz: (3) 1-2-0
TNT: (1) 1-0-0
TCS: (1) 0-0-1
Prime Sports: (1) 1-0-0
Jefferson-Pilot: (11) 7-3-1
NESN: (1) 1-0-0
Big East: (15) 3-12-0

Key:
TCS--Total Communication Systems
T.E.N.--Television Enterprise Network
TNT--Turner Network Television
T.V.E.N.--Television Enterprise Network
NESN--New England Sports Network
ESPN--Entertainment Sports Programming Network

Date	Opponent	Score Pitt/Opp.	Coverage	Network
1976				
Sept. 11	at Notre Dame	31-10	R	ABC
Nov. 1	West Virginia	24-16	R	ABC
#Nov. 26	Penn State**	24-7	N	ABC
Jan. 1, 1977*	Georgia	27-3	N	ABC
*Sugar Bowl				
1977				
Sept. 1	Notre Dame	9-19	N	ABC
Nov. 2	Penn State	13-15	N	ABC
Dec. 30#*	Clemson	34-3	N	ABC
*Gator Bowl				
1978				
Sept. 3	N. Carolina	20-16	R	ABC
Oct. 1	at Notre Dame	17-26	N	ABC
Nov. 2	at Penn State	10-17	N	ABC
Dec. 23*	N.C. State	17-30	N	MIZLOU
*Tangerine Bowl				
1979				
Nov. 3	Syracuse	28-21	R	ABC
Dec. 1	at Penn State	29-14	N	ABC
Dec. 25*	Arizona	16-10	N	NBC
*Fiesta Bowl				
1980				
Sept. 13	Boston College	14-6	R	ABC
Nov. 1	at Syracuse	43-6	R	ABC
Nov. 29	at Penn State	14-9	N	ABC
Dec. 29*	South Carolina	37-9	N	ABC
*Gator Bowl				

The Panthers on Television

Date	Opponent	Score Pitt/Opp.	Coverage	Network
1981				
Oct. 3	at S. Carolina	42-28	N	ESPN (TD)
			R	ABC
Oct. 24	Syracuse	23-10	R	USA
Nov. 21	at Temple	35-0	N	USA (TD)
Nov. 28	Penn State	14-48	N	ABC
Jan. 1, 1982*	Georgia	24-20	N	ABC
*Sugar Bowl				
1982				
Sept. 9.#	North Carolina**	7-6	N	CBS
Oct. 2	West Virginia	16-13	R	ABC
Nov. 13	at Army	24-6	N	ESPN (TD)
Nov. 20	Rutgers	52-6	N	ESPN (TD)
Nov. 26	at Penn State	10-19	N	ABC
Jan. 1, 1983*	SMU	3-7	N	CBS
*Cotton Bowl				
1983				
Oct. 1	at W. Virginia	21-24	R	CBS
Nov. 5	at Notre Dame	21-16	R	CBS
Jan. 1, 1984*	Ohio State	23-28	N	NBC
*Fiesta Bowl				
1984				
Sept. 1	BYU	14-20	N	ESPN
Sept. 15	Oklahoma	10-42	N	ABC
Oct. 6	East Carolina	17-10	R	Katz
Oct. 13	at S. Carolina	21-45	R	Katz
Oct. 20	at Miami (Fla.)	7-27	N	USA
			R	Katz
1985				
#Aug. 31	Purdue	31-30	N	ESPN
#Sept. 14	at Ohio State	7-10	N	WTBS
Sept. 21	Boston College	22-29	N	USA
			R	T.E.N.
Sept. 28	at W. Virginia	10-10	R	TCS
Oct. 5.	South Carolina	42-7	N	USA
			R	T.E.N.
Oct. 12	N.C. State	24-10	N	USA
			R	T.N.
#Nov. 23	Penn State	0-31	N	ESPN
1986				
#Sept. 1	Maryland	7-10	N	ESPN
Sept. 20	at Purdue	41-26	R	TNT
Sept. 27	West Virginia	48-16	R	T.E.N.
Oct. 11	at Notre Dame	10-9	N	USA
			R	T.V.E.N.
Nov. 1	at Syracuse	20-24	R	T.V.E.N.
Nov. 8	Miami (Fla.)	10-37	SN	ABC
Nov. 22	at Penn State	14-34	N	USA
1987				
#Sept. 2	at BYU	27-17	N	ESPN
Sept. 26	at West Virginia	6-3	R	Jeff.-Pilot
#Oct. 10	Notre Dame	30-22	N	ESPN
Oct. 24	at Navy	10-6	R	Jeff.-Pilot
Oct. 31	Syracuse	10-24	N	CBS
#Nov. 14	Penn State	10-0	N	ESPN
#Dec. 3*	Texas	27-32	N	MIZLOU
*Bluebonnet Bowl				

Pittsburgh fullback Ronald Redmon scores a touchdown in the Panthers' 31-28 victory against Texas A7M in the 1989 John Hancock Bowl which was nationally televised by CBS Sports.

Date	Opponent	Score Pitt/Opp.	Coverage	Network
1988				
#Sept. 17	Ohio State	42-10	N	ESPN
Sept. 24	West Virginia	10-31	R	Jeff.-Pilot
Oct. 1	at B. College	31-34	R	Jeff.-Pilot
#Oct.8	Notre Dame	20-30	N	ESPN
Nov. 5	Rutgers	20-10	R	Jeff.-Pilot
Nov. 12	at Penn State	14-7	N	ESPN
Nov. 19	at N.C. State	3-14	R	Jeff.-Pilot
Dec. 3	at Syracuse	7-24	N	ESPN
1989				
Sept. 9	at B. College	29-10	R	NESN
#Sept. 23	at Syracuse	30-23	N	ESPN
#Sept. 30	at West Virginia	31-31	N	ESPN
Oct. 7	at Temple	27-3	R	Jeff.-Pilot
Oct. 14	Navy	31-14	R	Jeff.-Pilot
#Oct. 28	Notre Dame	7-45	N	ESPN
Nov. 11	Miami	3-24	N	CBS
Nov. 25	Penn State	13-16	N	CBS
Dec. 2	Rutgers	46-29	R	Prime Sports Network
*Dec. 30	Texas A&M	31-28	N	CBS
*John Hancock Bowl				

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Date	Opponent	Score Pitt/Opp.	Coverage	Network
1990				
Sept. 8	Boston College	29-6	R	Jeff.-Pilot
Sept. 15	at Oklahoma	10-52	N	CBS
Sept. 22	at Syracuse	20-20	R	Jeff.-Pilot
#Oct. 27	Notre Dame	20-32	N	ESPN
Nov. 10	Temple	18-28	R	Jeff.-Pilot
Nov. 24	at Penn State	17-22	N	CBS
1991				
Aug. 31	at West Virginia	34-3	N	ESPN
Sept. 14	Temple	26-7	R	Big East
Sept. 28	at Minnesota	14-13	R	ABC
Oct. 12	at Notre Dame	7-42	N	NBC
Nov. 2	at Boston College	12-38	R	Big East
Nov. 9	Rutgers	22-17	R	Big East
Nov. 28	Penn State	20-32	N	ABC
1992				
#Sept. 12	West Virginia	6-44	R	Big East
#Sept. 17	at Rutgers	16-21	N	ESPN
#Oct. 10	Notre Dame	21-52	N	ESPN
Oct. 31	at Syracuse	10-41	R	Big East
Nov. 21	at Penn State	13-57	N	ESPN
1993				
#Sept. 2	at S. Mississippi	14-10	N	ESPN
Sept. 18	Ohio State	28-63	R	Big East
Oct. 9	at Notre Dame	0-44	N	NBC
Oct. 16	Syracuse	21-24	R	Big East
Oct. 23	at West Virginia	21-42	R	Big East
#Oct. 28	at Rutgers	21-10	N	ESPN
Nov. 20	at Temple	28-18	R	Big East
1994				
Sept. 3	Texas	28-30	R	Raycom
			R	WTAE
Sept. 17	at Ohio State	3-27	N	ESPN
Sept. 24	Boston College	9-21	R	Big East
Oct. 8	at Syracuse	7-31	R	Big East
Oct. 15	West Virginia	41-47	R	Big East
1995				
Sept. 16	at Texas	27-38	R	ABC
Sept. 23	Ohio State	14-54	R	ABC
Sept. 30	Virginia Tech	16-26	R	Big East
Oct. 7	at B. College	0-17	R	Big East
Oct. 21	Miami	16-17	R	Big East
Nov. 24	at West Virginia	0-21	N	ESPN

The Panthers played an ABC regionally televised game against Texas during the 1995 season. The game, played in intense heat that hovered above the 100-degree mark, was nearly won by the Panthers. But, the favored Longhorns held on for a 38-27 victory.

Date	Opponent	Score Pitt/Opp.	Coverage	Network
Aug. 31	West Virginia	0-34	N	ESPN
Sept. 21	at Ohio State	0-72	N	ESPN
Sept. 28	at Miami	0-45	R	Big East
Oct. 12	at Syracuse	7-55	R	Big East
Oct. 26	at Virginia Tech	17-34	R	Big East
Oct. 31	Boston College	20-13	N	ESPN
Nov. 16	at Notre Dame	6-60	N	NBC

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Major networks have covered regular-season football the following years: ABC-1954, 60-61, 66-present; NBC-1952-53, 55-59, 64-65; CBS-1962-63, 82-present.

Pittsburgh In The Polls

Associated Press (AP)

1936
1. Minnesota
2. LSU
3. **PITTSBURGH**
4. Alabama
5. Washington
6. Santa Clara
7. Northwestern
8. Notre Dame
9. Nebraska
10. Pennsylvania

1937
1. **PITTSBURGH**
2. California
3. Fordham
4. Alabama
5. Minnesota
6. Villanova
7. Dartmouth
8. LSU
9. Notre Dame
10. Santa Clara

1938
1. TCU
2. Tennessee
3. Duke
4. Oklahoma
5. Notre Dame
6. Carnegie Tech
7. USC
8. **PITTSBURGH**
9. Holy Cross
10. Minnesota

1955
1. Oklahoma
2. Michigan State
3. Maryland
4. UCLA
5. Ohio State
6. TCU
7. Georgia Tech
8. Auburn
9. Notre Dame
10. Mississippi
11. **PITTSBURGH**

1956
1. Oklahoma
2. Tennessee
3. Iowa
4. Georgia Tech
5. Texas A&M
6. Miami (Fla.)
7. Michigan
8. Syracuse
9. Michigan State
10. Oregon State
13. **PITTSBURGH**

1959
1. Syracuse
2. Mississippi
3. LSU
4. Texas
5. Georgia
6. Wisconsin
7. TCU
8. Washington
9. Arkansas
10. Alabama
20. **PITTSBURGH**

1963
1. Texas
2. Navy
3. Illinois
4. **PITTSBURGH**
5. Auburn
6. Nebraska
7. Mississippi
8. Alabama
9. Michigan State
10. Oklahoma

1975
1. Oklahoma
2. Arizona State
3. Alabama
4. Ohio State
5. UCLA
6. Texas
7. Arkansas
8. Michigan
9. Nebraska
10. Penn State
15. **PITTSBURGH**

1976
1. **PITTSBURGH**
2. USC
3. Michigan
4. Houston
5. Oklahoma
6. Ohio State
7. Texas A&M
8. Maryland
9. Nebraska
10. Georgia

1977
1. Notre Dame
2. Alabama
3. Arkansas
4. Texas
5. Penn State
6. Kentucky
7. Oklahoma
8. **PITTSBURGH**
9. Michigan
10. Washington

1979
1. Alabama
2. USC
3. Oklahoma
4. Ohio State
5. Houston
6. Florida State
7. **PITTSBURGH**
8. Arkansas
9. Nebraska
10. Purdue

1980
1. Georgia
2. **PITTSBURGH**
3. Oklahoma
4. Michigan
5. Florida State
6. Alabama
7. Nebraska
8. Penn State
9. Notre Dame
10. North Carolina

1981
1. Clemson
2. Texas
3. Penn State
4. **PITTSBURGH**
5. SMU
6. Georgia
7. Alabama
8. Miami (Fla.)
9. North Carolina
10. Washington

1982
1. Penn State
2. SMU
3. Nebraska
4. Georgia
5. UCLA
6. Arizona State
7. Washington
8. Clemson
9. Arkansas
10. **PITTSBURGH**

1983
1. Miami (Fla.)
2. Nebraska
3. Auburn
4. Georgia
5. Texas
6. Florida
7. Brigham Young
8. Michigan
9. Ohio State
10. Illinois
18. **PITTSBURGH**

1989
1. Miami
2. Notre Dame
3. Florida State
4. Colorado
5. Tennessee
6. Auburn
7. Michigan
8. Southern Cal
9. Alabama
10. Illinois
17. **PITTSBURGH**

United Press International (UPI)

1963
1. Texas
2. Navy
3. **PITTSBURGH**
4. Illinois
5. Nebraska
6. Auburn
7. Mississippi
8. Oklahoma
9. Alabama
10. Michigan State

1976
1. **PITTSBURGH**
2. USC
3. Michigan
4. Houston
5. Ohio State
6. Oklahoma
7. Nebraska
8. Texas A&M
9. Alabama
10. Georgia

1977
1. Notre Dame
2. Alabama
3. Arkansas
4. Penn State
5. Texas
6. Oklahoma
7. **PITTSBURGH**
8. Michigan
9. Washington
10. Nebraska

1979
1. Alabama
2. USC
3. Oklahoma
4. Ohio State
5. Houston
6. **PITTSBURGH**
7. Nebraska
8. Florida State
9. Arkansas
10. Purdue

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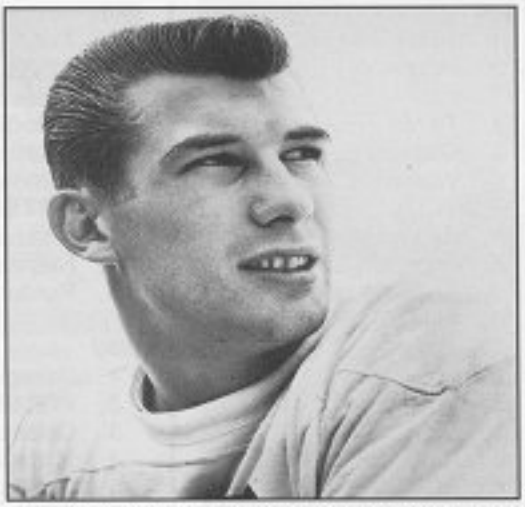

The 1963 Panthers finished the season at 9-1 and were ranked third in the nation. Two key members of that team were quarterback Fred Mazurek (left) and halfback Paul Martha (right). Both are now attorneys.

1980
1. Georgia
2. **PITTSBURGH**
3. Oklahoma
4. Michigan
5. Florida State
6. Alabama
7. Nebraska
8. Penn State
9. North Carolina
10. Notre Dame

1981
1. Clemson
2. **PITTSBURGH**
3. Penn State
4. Texas
5. Georgia
6. Alabama
7. Washington
8. North Carolina
9. Nebraska
10. Michigan

1982
1. Penn State
2. SMU
3. Nebraska
4. Georgia
5. UCLA
6. Arizona State
7. Washington
8. Arkansas
9. **PITTSBURGH**
10. Florida State

1983
1. Miami (Fla.)
2. Nebraska
3. Auburn
4. Georgia
5. Texas
6. Florida
7. Brigham Young
8. Ohio State
9. Michigan
10. Illinois
19. **PITTSBURGH**

1989
1. Miami
2. Florida State
3. Notre Dame
4. Colorado
5. Tennessee
6. Auburn
7. Alabama
8. Michigan
9. Southern Cal
10. Illinois
19. **PITTSBURGH**

The New York Times Computer

1979
1. Alabama
2. USC
3. Oklahoma
4. Ohio State
5. **PITTSBURGH**
6. Nebraska
7. Houston
8. Arkansas
9. Texas
10. Florida State
    Brigham Young

1980
1. **PITTSBURGH**
2. Nebraska
3. Florida State
4. Alabama
5. Penn State
6. Michigan
7. Georgia
8. Oklahoma
9. North Carolina
10. UCLA

1981
1. Clemson
2. Penn State
3. **PITTSBURGH**
4. Nebraska
5. SMU
6. Texas
7. Georgia
8. Michigan
9. Miami (Fla.)
10. Arizona State

1982
1. Penn State
2. Nebraska
3. Georgia
4. SMU
5. UCLA
6. Arizona State
7. USC
8. Florida State
9. Clemson
10. Arkansas
13. **PITTSBURGH**

1983
1. Auburn
2. Miami (Fla.)
3. Florida
4. Nebraska
5. Texas
6. Georgia
7. UCLA
8. Alabama
9. Brigham Young
10. Ohio State
19. **PITTSBURGH**

USA Today --Cable News Network

1983
1. Miami (Fla.)
2. Auburn
3. Nebraska
4. Georgia
5. Texas
6. Brigham Young
7. Michigan
8. Ohio State
9. Florida
10. Clemson
19. **PITTSBURGH**

1989
1. Miami (Fla.)
2. Notre Dame
3. Florida State
4. Colorado
5. Tennessee
6. Auburn
7. Southern Cal
8. Michigan
9. Alabama
10. Illinois
19. **PITTSBURGH**

Sports Illustrated

1983
1. Miami (Fla.)
2. Nebraska
3. Auburn
4. Georgia
5. Texas
6. Brigham Young
7. Clemson
8. Florida
9. Illinois
10. SMU
20. **PITTSBURGH**

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1989
1. Miami
2. Notre Dame
3. Colorado
4. Tennessee
5. Florida State
6. Michigan
7. Illinois
8. Alabama
9. Southern Cal
10. Auburn
18. **PITTSBURGH**

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1989
1. Notre Dame
2. Miami
3. Florida State
4. Colorado
5. Tennessee
6. Southern Cal
7. Michigan
8. Alabama
9. Illinois
10. Auburn
18. **PITTSBURGH**

Football Lettermen (1890-1996)

The following list was compiled from various sources during the summer of 1981, and has been updated and corrected annually since then. Although all cautions were taken to avoid errors, we do realize that names were most likely omitted due to the immensity of the task. If you have additions, or find errors in the list, please contact the Sports Information Office. *Active players are in italics.*

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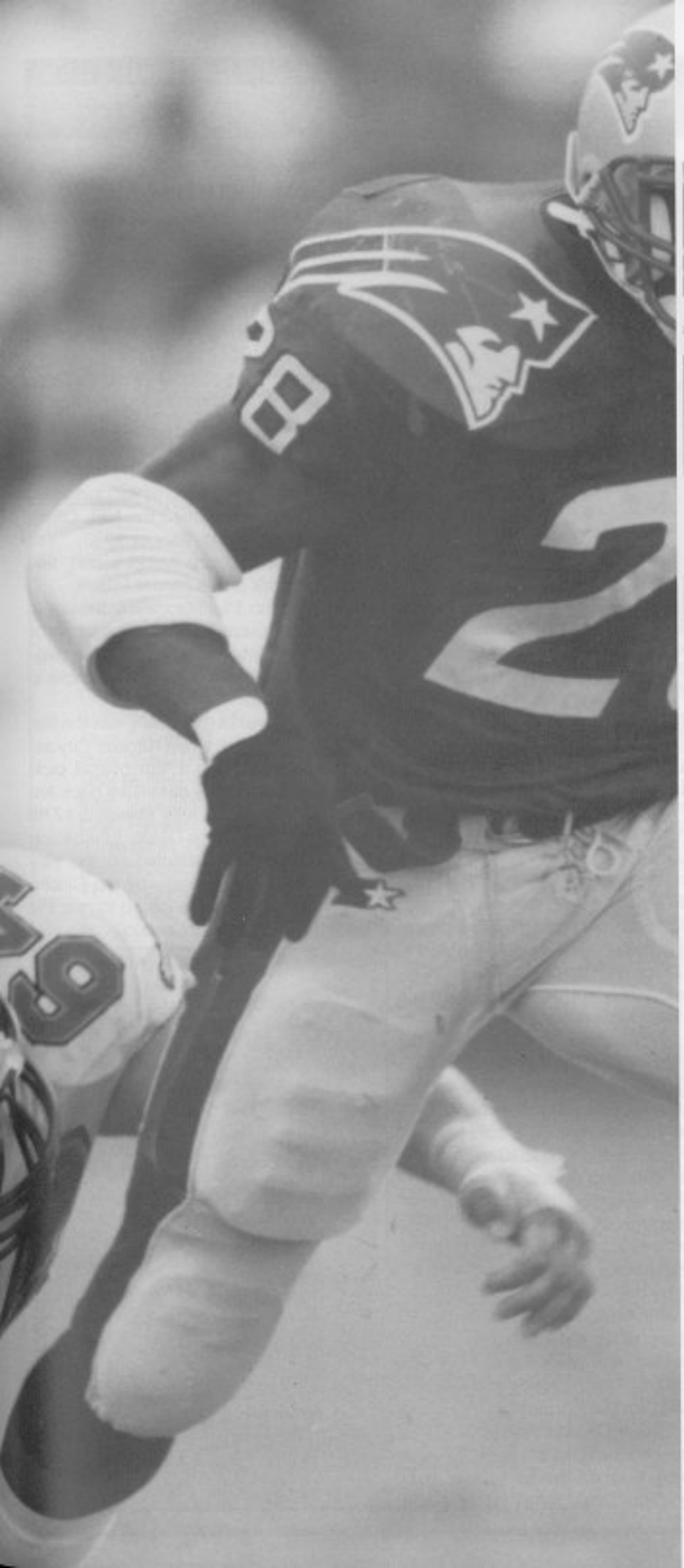

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Pittsburgh Players In The NFL

During the past two decades, few schools can match the number and quality quotient of players the University of Pittsburgh has forwarded to the National Football League.

Of course, Pitt through the years has been a fertile talent source for the NFL, both for players and coaches. Standouts such as Marshall Goldberg, Jock Sutherland, Joe Schmidt, Joe Walton, Fred Cox, Marty Schottenheimer and Mike Ditka are among the prominent names in a long roll call of Panthers who have gained fame in pro football.

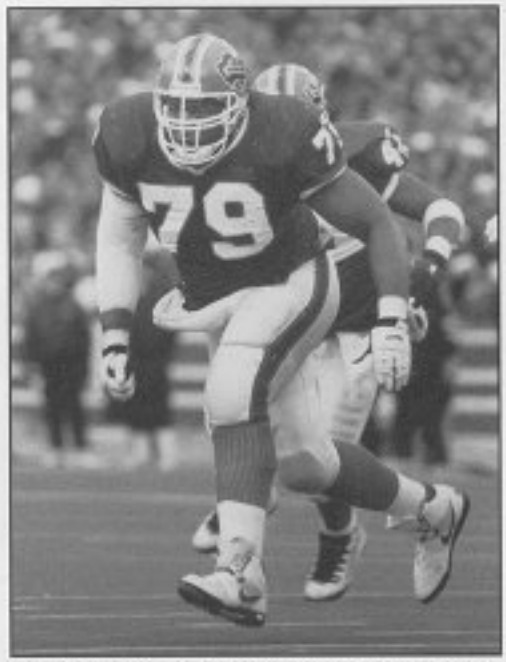
But in the past 19 years, there has been a dramatic surge of top Pitt-bred talent in the NFL. Currently, Marty Schottenheimer is the head coach of the Kansas City Chiefs, and Dave Wannstedt replaced Ditka as coach of the Chicago Bears. Ditka has returned to the NFL coaching ranks as the head coach of the New Orleans Saints.

Pitt's recent NFL players have made dramatic impact. Of Pitt's 17 first-round picks since 1981, 14 became starters as rookies.

The great Pitt teams of the late 1970s and early 1980s began providing this motherlode of impact talent to the NFL. Heisman Trophy running back Tony Dorsett started the stream when the Dallas Cowboys traded up with the Seattle Seahawks to select him with the second pick of the 1977 draft. A year later a pair of Dorsett's teammates on Pitt's 1976 national championship team, defensive end Randy Holloway (a Minnesota Vikings first-round pick) and quarterback Matt Cavanaugh (second round by the New England Patriots), joined Dorsett.

Three consecutive 11-1 seasons (1979, 1980 and 1981) provided another rich haul of future professional talent. The 1980 squad, in particular, was blessed with an extraordinary number of future NFL stars.

Twelve players were drafted from Pitt's 1980 squad, including three first-round picks: defensive end Hugh Green (Tampa Bay Buccaneers), tackle Mark May (Washington Redskins) and running back Randy McMillan (Baltimore Colts). Defensive end Rickey Jackson (second round, New Orleans Saints), guard Russ Grimm (third round, Washington Redskins), safety Carlton Williamson (third round, San Francisco 49ers), tight end Benjie Pryor (fifth round, Cincinnati Bengals), defensive tackle Jerry Boyarsky (fifth round, New Orleans Saints), defensive tackle Bill Neill (fifth round, New York Giants), and quarterback Rick Trocano (11th round, Pittsburgh Steelers) were the other draftees. Seven additional seniors on the 1980 squad signed free agent contracts with NFL clubs.



Ruben Brown, a 1995 first-round pick of the Buffalo Bills, started every game of his rookie season for the Bills.

Among the underclassmen on that fabulous 1980 team were three players who also would all become NFL first-round draftees in 1983—quarterback Dan Marino (Miami Dolphins), tackle Jim Covert (Chicago Bears) and defensive back Tim Lewis (Green Bay Packers) — as well as defensive tackle Bill Maas, whom the Kansas City Chiefs chose in the first round in 1984. Two other underclassmen in 1980, center Jim Sweeney and defensive back Tom Flynn, went on to fine NFL careers. All told, 28 players on Pitt's 1980 roster were eventual NFL draft selections.

The Pitt player pipeline to the NFL continued throughout the rest of the 1980s and early 1990s. Subsequent first-round draft picks have included guard Bill Fralic (drafted by the Atlanta Falcons) and defensive end Chris Doleman (Minnesota Vikings) in 1985; defensive tackle Bob Buczkowski (Los Angeles Raiders) in 1986; linebacker Tony Woods (Seattle Seahawks) in 1987; running back Craig Heyward (New Orleans Saints) in 1988; defensive end Burt Grossman (San Diego Chargers) and offensive tackle Tom Ricketts (Pittsburgh Steelers) in 1989; defensive end Sean Gilbert (Los Angeles Rams) in 1992; and Ruben Brown (Buffalo Bills) in 1995.

"Pittsburgh players are a known commodity," said Les Miller, former college personnel director for the San Diego Chargers. "You hardly see any failures there. They all seem to have the right work ethic and a desire to be the best."

According to a former Pitt great, hard work and skillful coaching are also part of the mix.

"At Pitt, most of the players come from Western Pennsylvania and have that Western Pennsylvania work ethic," says Jim Covert, who was named the NFL Offensive Lineman of the Year in 1986. "You work as hard as you possibly can, and then you work a little harder."

Although no Panthers were chosen in 1997, three players were selected in the 1996 Draft. Interestingly, the three players were chosen on concecutive picks in the sixth round.

Wide receiver Dietrich Jells was the first Pitt player drafted, when Kansas City selected Jells with the 176th overall pick. Jells was followed by defensive back Anthony Dorsett, who was selected 177th overall by the Houston Oilers. Linebacker Tom Tumulty was selected on the very next pick—178th overall—by the Cincinnati Bengals, where he joined former Pitt teammate Ricardo McDonald.

Pittsburgh's NFL First-Round Draft Choices
(since 1960)

1961	**Mike Ditka,**	TE, Chicago (5th)
1964	**Paul Martha,**	S, Pittsburgh (7th)
1977	**Tony Dorsett,**	RB, Dallas (2nd)
1978	**Randy Holloway,**	DE, Minnesota (21st)
1981	**Randy McMillan,**	RB, Baltimore (12th)
1981	**Mark May,**	T, Washington (20th)
1981	**Hugh Green,**	LB, Tampa Bay (7th)
1983	**Jim Covert,**	T, Chicago (6th)
1983	**Tim Lewis,**	CB, Green Bay (11th)
1983	**Dan Marino,**	QB, Miami (29th)
1984	**Bill Maas,**	NT, Kansas City (5th)
1985	**Chris Doleman,**	LB, Minnesota (4th)
1985	**Bill Fralic,**	T, Atlanta (2nd)
1986	**Bob Buczkowski,**	DT, L.A. Raiders (24th)
1987	**Tony Woods,**	LB, Seattle (18th)
1988	**Craig Heyward,**	RB, New Orleans (24th)
1989	**Burt Grossman,**	DE, San Diego (8th)
1989	**Tom Ricketts,**	T, Pittsburgh (24th)
1992	**Sean Gilbert,**	DT, L.A. Rams (3rd)
1995	**Ruben Brown,**	OL, Buffalo Bills (14th)

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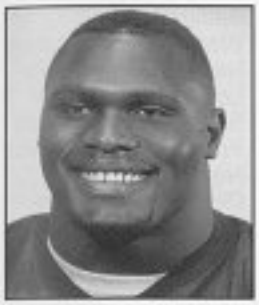
Ricardo McDonald

Tony Siragusa

National Football League

Curtis Anderson, WR	Jacksonville Jaguars
Chad Askew, WR	Jacksonville Jaguars
Ruben Brown, OG	Buffalo Bills
Jeff Christy, C	Minnesota Vikings
Nate Cochran, P	St. Louis Rams
Rob Coons, TE	Buffalo Bills
Billy Davis, WR	Dallas Cowboys
Chris Doleman, DE	San Francisco 49ers
Anthony Dorsett, DB	Tennessee Oilers
Sean Gilbert, DT	Washington Redskins
Mark Gunn, DT	Philadelphia Eagles
Mike Halapin, DT	Tennessee Oilers
Keith Hamilton, DE	New York Giants
Craig Heyward, RB	St. Louis Rams
Steve Israel, DB	New England Patriots
Dietrich Jells, WR	New England Patriots
Vernon Lewis, DB	New England Patriots
Dan Marino, QB	Miami Dolphins
Curtis Martin, RB	New England Patriots
Ricardo McDonald, LB	Cincinnati Bengals
Mike Mohring, DT	Miami Dolphins
Dave Moore, TE	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
Jerry Olsavsky, LB	Pittsburgh Steelers
Louis Riddick, DB	Atlanta Falcons
Don Silvestri, PK	New York Jets
Tony Siragusa, DT	Baltimore Ravens
Mark Stepnoski, C	Tennessee Oilers
Jim Sweeney, C	Pittsburgh Steelers
Tom Tumulty, LB	Cincinnati Bengals
Alex Van Pelt, QB	Buffalo Bills
Adam Walker, RB	Philadelphia Eagles
Tony Woods, DE	Washington Redskins

Chris Doleman

Sean Gilbert

Round	Name	Pos	Team
	1996		
6	Dietrich Jells	WR	Kansas City Chiefs
6	Anthony Dorsett	DB	Houston Oilers
6	Tom Tumulty	LB	Cincinnati Bengals
	1995		
1	Ruben Brown	OG	Buffalo Bills
3	Curtis Martin	RB	New England Patriots
6	Tom Barndt	C	Kansas City Chiefs
	1993		
8	Alex Van Pelt	QB	Pittsburgh Steelers
	1992		
1	Sean Gilbert	DE	Los Angeles Rams
2	Steve Israel	DB	Los Angeles Rams
4	Jeff Christy	OL	Phoenix Cardinals
4	Keith Hamilton	DE	New York Giants
4	Ricardo McDonald	LB	Cincinnati Bengals
7	Dave Moore	TE	Miami Dolphins
	1991		
4	Mark Gunn	DE	New York Jets
4	Curvin Richards	RB	Dallas Cowboys
9	Louis Riddick	DB	San Francisco 49ers
10	Brian Greenfield	P	Cleveland Browns
	1990		
3	Marc Spindler	DT	Detroit Lions
4	Dean Caliguire	C	San Francisco 49ers
4	Alonzo Hampton	CB	Minnesota Vikings
6	Tom Sims	DT	Kansas City Chiefs
9	Chris Goetz	OG	San Diego Chargers
11	Roman Matusz	OT	Chicago Bears
11	Carnel Smith	DE	Indianapolis Colts
	1989		
1	Burt Grossman	DE	San Diego Chargers
1	Tom Ricketts	OT	Pittsburgh Steelers
3	Mark Stepnoski	OL	Dallas Cowboys
9	Vernon Kirk	TE	Los Angeles Rams
10	Cornell Holloway	CB	Cincinnati Bengals
11	Jerry Olsavsky	LB	Pittsburgh Steelers
	1988		
1	Craig Heyward	RB	New Orleans Saints
2	Quintin Jones	CB	Houston Oilers
5	Jon Carter	DE	New York Giants
5	Zeke Gadson	DB	Buffalo Bills
7	Gary Richard	CB	Green Bay Packers
10	Billy Owens	DB	Dallas Cowboys
11	Ed Miller	C	San Diego Chargers
	1987		
1	Tony Woods	LB	Seattle Seahawks
4	Randy Dixon	OT	Indianapolis Colts
4	Lorenzo Freeman	DT	Green Bay Packers
7	Tom Brown	RB	Miami Dolphins
	1986		
1	Bob Buczkowski	DT	Los Angeles Raiders
4	Bill Callahan	FS	Pittsburgh Steelers

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Round	Name	Pos	Team
	1985		
1	Chris Doleman	DE	Minnesota Vikings
1	Bill Fralic	OT	Atlanta Falcons
5	Troy Benson	LB	New York Jets
8	Marlon McIntyre	RB	Los Angeles Rams
12	Bill Wallace	WR	New York Jets
	1984		
1	Bill Maas	DT	Kansas City Chiefs
2	Jim Sweeney	C	New York Jets
3	Joe McCall	RB	Los Angeles Raiders
5	Tom Flynn	FS	Green Bay Packers
6	Dwight Collins	WR	Minnesota Vikings
10	Al Wenglikowski	DE	Kansas City Chiefs
	1983		
1	Jim Covert	OT	Chicago Bears
1	Tim Lewis	DB	Green Bay Packers
1	Dan Marino	QB	Miami Dolphins
5	Bryan Thomas	RB	Green Bay Packers
6	Dave Puzzuoli	DL	Cleveland Browns
6	Ron Sams	OG	Green Bay Packers
8	Rich Kraynak	LB	Philadelphia Eagles
9	Rob Fada	OG	Chicago Bears
12	Julius Dawkins	WR	Buffalo Bills
	1982		
7	Emil Boures	C	Pittsburgh Steelers
10	Sal Sunseri	LB	Pittsburgh Steelers
12	Sam Clancy	DT	Seattle Seahawks

Dan Marino, a 1983 first-round pick, has enjoyed a Hall of Fame career with the Miami Dolphins.

Round	Name	Pos	Team
	1981		
1	Hugh Green	LB	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
1	Randy McMillan	FB	Baltimore Colts
1	Mark May	OT	Washington Redskins
2	Rickey Jackson	LB	New Orleans Saints
3	Greg Meisner	DT	Los Angeles Rams
3	Carlton Williamson	DB	San Francisco 49ers
3	Russ Grimm	C	Washington Redskins
5	Bill Neill	DT	New York Giants
5	Benjie Pryor	TE	Cincinnati Bengals
5	Lynn Thomas	DB	San Francisco 49ers
5	Jerry Boyarsky	DT	New Orleans Saints
11	Rick Trocano	QB	Pittsburgh Steelers
	1980		
6	Jo Jo Heath	DB	Cincinnati Bengals
	1979		
2	Gordon Jones	WR	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
5	Walt Brown	C	Detroit Lions
7	Jeff Delaney	DB	Los Angeles Rams
11	Al Chesley	LB	Philadelphia Eagles
12	David Logan	DT	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
	1978		
1	Randy Holloway	DT	Minnesota Vikings
2	Matt Cavanaugh	QB	New England Patriots
3	Bob Jury	DB	Seattle Seahawks
6	Elliott Walker	RB	San Francisco 49ers
6	Randy Reutershan	WR	Pittsburgh Steelers
8	J.C. Wilson	DB	Houston Oilers
9	Willie Taylor	WR	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
11	Tom Brzoza	C	Pittsburgh Steelers
	1977		
1	Tony Dorsett	RB	Dallas Cowboys
7	Jim Corbett	TE	Cincinnati Bengals
7	Larry Swider	P	Denver Broncos
11	Carson Long	K	Los Angeles Rams
11	Al Romano	LB	Houston Oilers
	1976		
4	Tom Perko	LB	Green Bay Packers
7	Karl Farmer	WR	Atlanta Falcons
	1975		
3	Gary Burley	DE	Cincinnati Bengals
17	Mike Bulino	DB	Kansas City Chiefs
	1974		
11	Rod Kirby	LB	Buffalo Bills
12	James Buckmon	DE	New Orleans Saints
15	Dave Wannstedt	T	Green Bay Packers
	1973		
12	Ernie Webster	OG	Washington Redskins
13	John Moss	LB	Detroit Lions
	1972		
3	Bob Kuziel	C	New Orleans Saints
5	Ralph Cindrich	LB	Atlanta Falcons
11	Joe Carroll	LB	Oakland Raiders
15	Joel Klimek	TE	New England Patriots
16	Henry Alford	DE	St. Louis Cardinals

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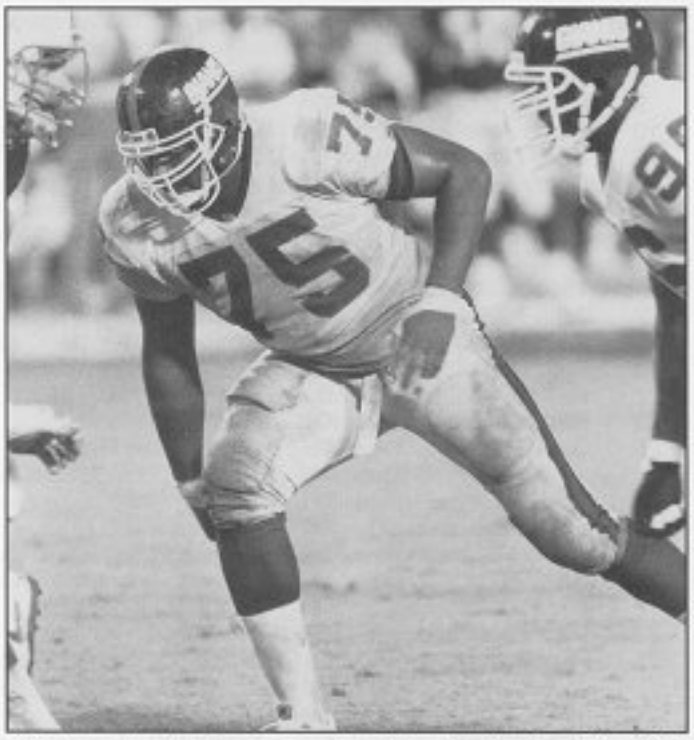
Round	Name	Pos	Team
	1971		
3	Charlie Hall	DB	Green Bay Packers
5	Bryant Salter	DB	San Diego Chargers
9	Dave Garnett	RB	Oakland Raiders
12	Tony Esposito	RB	Kansas City Chiefs
12	Bill Pilconis	WR	Detroit Lions
	1970		
9	Geoff Brown	LB	Cleveland Browns
12	Rod Fedorchak	OG	Kansas City Chiefs
	1969		
5	Harry Orszulak	FL	San Diego Chargers
	1968		
5	Bob Longo	E	Houston Oilers
13	Tom Mitrakos	C	San Francisco 49ers
	1966		
6	Fred Hoaglin	C	Cleveland (NFL)
9	Dale Stewart*	DE	Pittsburgh (NFL)
11	Eric Crabtree*	HB	Baltimore (NFL)
11	Dale Stewart*	HB	Buffalo (AFL)
13	Eric Crabtree*	DB	Denver (AFL)
14	Joe Novogratz*	LB	Pittsburgh (NFL)
18	Ken Lucas	QB	Pittsburgh (NFL)
19	Joe Novogratz*	OG	Boston (AFL)
	1965		
4	Marty Schottenheimer*	LB	Baltimore (NFL)
7	Marty Schottenheimer*	LB	Buffalo (AFL)
8	Bill Howley	E	Pittsburgh (NFL)
	1964		
1	Paul Martha*	HB	Pittsburgh (NFL)
8	Ray Popp*	G	New York Giants (NFL)
9	Paul Martha*	HB	Buffalo (AFL)
10	Rick Leeson	HB	Washington (NFL)
13	Jeff Ware	LB	New York Jets (AFL)
16	Paul Cercel*	C	Dallas (NFL)
16	Ray Popp*	LB	New York Jets (AFL)
19	Paul Cercel*	C/LB	San Diego (AFL)
20	Brian Generalovich*	TE	Pittsburgh (NFL)
25	Brian Generalovich*	TE	Boston (AFL)
	1963		
4	Lou Slaby*	LB	Denver (AFL)
5	Gary Kaltenbach*	T	Minnesota (NFL)
5	Lou Slaby*	LB	New York Giants (NFL)
6	Ernie Borghetti*	T	Cleveland (NFL)
9	John Maczuzak*	T	San Francisco (NFL)
11	Tom Brown	G	Houston (AFL)
12	Ed Adamchik*	G	New York Giants (NFL)
20	Jim Traficant	B	Pittsburgh (NFL)
21	Ed Adamchik*	T	Buffalo (AFL)
21	Ernie Borghetti*	T	Dallas Texans (AFL)
22	John Maczuzak*	T	Dallas Texans (AFL)
25	Gary Kaltenbach*	T	Houston (AFL)



Keith Hamilton has been a starting defensive tackle for the New York Giants the past four years.

	1962		
10	Regis Coustillac	G	San Francisco (NFL)
10	Larry Vignali	G	Pittsburgh (NFL)
19	John Kuprok*	E	Pittsburgh (NFL)
23	John Kuprok*	E	New York Titans (AFL)
30	Bob Clemens	HB	Houston (AFL)
33	Steve Jastrzembski***	E	Boston (AFL)
	1961		
1	Mike Ditka*	E	Chicago (NFL)
1	Mike Ditka*	E	Houston (AFL)
3	Jim Cunningham*	B	Washington (NFL)
3	Dick Mills*	T	Detroit (NFL)
5	Ed Sharockman*	HB	Minnesota (NFL)
8	Fred Cox*	HB	Cleveland (NFL)
9	Dick Mills*	T	Dallas Texans (AFL)
10	Bob Clemens	B	Baltimore (NFL)
13	Paul Hodge	LB	Detroit (NFL)
14	Jim Cunningham*	FB	New York Titans (AFL)
17	Steve Jastrzembski***	B	Baltimore (NFL)
22	Ed Sharockman*	HB	Dallas Texans (AFL)
28	Fred Cox*	HB	New York Titans (AFL)
	1959		
9	Dick Haley	B	Washington
15	Tom Salwocki	C	Cleveland
24	Fred Riddle	B	Detroit
29	Jack Flara	B	Green Bay
	1958		
2	Jim McCusker	T	Chicago Cardinals
4	John Guzik	G	Los Angeles Rams
9	Ron Kissell	T	New York Giants
30	Dick Scherer	E	Pittsburgh

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Round	Name	Pos	Team
	1957		
2	Joe Walton	E	Washington
9	Charlie Brueckman	C	San Francisco
10	Ralph Jelic	B	Pittsburgh
15	Canil Herman	T	Pittsburgh
17	Corny Salvaterra	QB	Pittsburgh
17	Dan Wisnieski	G	Baltimore
23	Bob Pollock	T	Pittsburgh
	1956		
2	John Paluck	E	Washington
17	Bill Schmitt	G	Pittsburgh
20	Fred Glatz	E	Pittsburgh
22	Ray DiPasquale	B	Pittsburgh
23	Pete Neft	QB	Pittsburgh
25	Glen Tunning	G	Los Angeles Rams
	1955		
5	Eldred Kraemer	T	San Francisco
9	Henry Ford	B	Cleveland
10	Glen Dillon	E	Cleveland
12	Lou Palatella	T	San Francisco
22	Richie McCabe	B	Pittsburgh
27	Paul Blanda	B	New York Giants
	1954		
9	Joe Zombek	E	Pittsburgh
11	Lou Cimarolli	B	Pittsburgh
14	Bobby Epps	B	New York Giants
29	Dick Dietrick	E	Los Angeles Rams
	1953		
2	Billy Reynolds	B	Cleveland
7	Joe Schmidt	C	Detroit
	1952		
24	Bob Bestwick	B	Pittsburgh
29	Chris Warriner	E	Pittsburgh
	1951		
16	Ted Geremsky	E	Pittsburgh
30	Nick Bolkovac	T	Washington
	1950		
3	Jimmy Joe Robinson	B	Cleveland
11	Bob Plotz	G	Cleveland
13	Lou (Bimbo) Cecconi	B	San Francisco
16	Bernie Barkouskie	G	Pittsburgh
29	Carl DePasqua	B	Pittsburgh
	1949		
6	Leo Skladany	E	Brooklyn (AFL)
17	Leo Skladany	E	Philadelphia (NFL)
	1948		
14	Bill McPeak	E	Pittsburgh
30	Tony DeMatteo	B	Pittsburgh
	1947		
5	Jack Durishan**	T	New York Yankees
	1946		
22	George Johnson	T	Pittsburgh
29	John Itzel	B	Philadelphia
	1945		
12	Frank Mattioli	G	Chicago Bears
17	John Itzel	B	Pittsburgh
25	Angelo Carlaccini	B	Pittsburgh
30	Loren Braner	C	Philadelphia

Fred Cox, a Pittsburgh standout from 1959-61, went on to a brilliant 15-year career with the Minnesota Vikings and appeared in four Super Bowls.

	1943		
2	Bill Dutton	B	Washington
26	Jack Stetler	B	Cleveland
27	Jack Durishan**	T	Pittsburgh
30	George Allshouse	C	Brooklyn
	1942		
12	Stan Gervelis	E	Brooklyn
17	Edgar Jones	B	Chicago Bears
	1941		
8	George Kracum	B	Chicago Cardinals
	1940		
4	Dick Cassiano	B	Green Bay
8	Ben Kish	B	Chicago Cardinals
	1939		
2	John Chickerneo	B	New York Giants
2	Marshall Goldberg	B	Chicago Cardinals
4	Hal (Curly) Stebbins	B	Chicago Cardinals
6	Bob Dannies	C	Chicago Bears
9	Steve Petro	G	Pittsburgh
13	Fabian Hoffman	E	Pittsburgh
16	Al Lezouski	G	Pittsburgh
	1938		
2	Tony Matisi	T	Pittsburgh
2	Frank Patrick	B	Chicago Cardinals
4	Frank Souchak	E	New York Giants
10	John Michelosen	B	Philadelphia
	1937		
2	Ave Daniell	T	Green Bay
4	Bill Glassford	G	Detroit

* In the 1960s, the AFL established the same draft format as the NFL by drafting in an inverse order of finish. Each league had its own draft allowing for athletes to be drafted by the AFL and the NFL.

** Jack Durishan was drafted in 1943 by Pittsburgh. He served in the armed forces and after returning was drafted again in 1947 by the New York Yankees.

***Steve Jastrzembski was drafted by Boston (AFL) in 1962 and Baltimore (NFL) in 1961.

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Ed Adamchik, C	N.Y. Giants, 1965
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1965
Henry Adams, C	Chicago Cardinals, 1939
Rudy Andabaker, G	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1952, 54
Curtis Anderson, WR	**Jacksonville Jaguars, 1997-**
Steve Apke, LB	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1987
Bill Ashbaugh, FB	Rock Island Independents, 1924
	Kansas City Cowboys, 1924-25
Chad Askew, WR	Dallas Cowboys, 1995-96
	Jacksonville Jaguars, 1997
Tom Barndt, C	Kansas City Chiefs, 1995
Troy Benson, LB	N.Y. Jets, 1986-89
Karl Bohren, HB	Buffalo Bisons, 1927
Nick Bolkovac, DT	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1953-54
Jim Bond, G	Brooklyn Horsemen, 1926
Ernie Bonelli, HB	Chicago Cardinals, 1945
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1946
Emil Boures, C-G	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1982-86
	Cleveland Browns, 1987
Jerry Boyarsky, NT	New Orleans, 1981
	Cincinnati Bengals, 1982-85
	Buffalo Bills, 1986
	Green Bay Packers, 1986-87
Jesse Brown, HB	Pottsville Maroons, 1926
Ruben Brown, OG	**Buffalo Bills, 1995-**
Tom Brown, RB	Miami Dolphins, 1987-89
Tony Brown, T	Buffalo Bills, 1987-89
Charlie Brueckman, C	Washington Redskins, 1958
	L.A. Chargers, 1960
Bob Buczkowski, DE	L.A. Raiders, 1987-88
	San Diego Chargers, 1989
	Cleveland Browns, 1990
	Seattle Seahawks, 1990
Gary Burley, NT	Cincinnati Bengals, 1976-83
	Atlanta Falcons, 1984
Dean Caliguire, C	San Francisco 49ers, 1990
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1991-92
Bill Callahan, S	Buffalo Bills, 1987
Joe Carroll, LB	Oakland Raiders, 1972-73
Jon Carter, DE	N.Y. Giants, 1988-89
	Dallas Cowboys, 1989
Dick Cassiano, HB	Brooklyn Dodgers, 1940
Matt Cavanaugh, QB	New England Patriots, 1978-82
	San Francisco 49ers, 1983-1985
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1986-89
	New York Giants, 1990-92
John Cenci, C	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1956
Ralph Chase, T	Akron Indians, 1926
Al Chesley, LB	Philadelphia Eagles, 1979-82
	Chicago Bears, 1982
John Chickerneo, QB	N.Y. Giants, 1942
Jeff Christy, C	Arizona Cardinals, 1992
	Minnesota Vikings, 1993-
Greg Christy, T	Buffalo Bills, 1985
Ralph Cindrich, LB	New England Patriots, 1972
	Houston Oilers, 1973-75
	Denver Broncos, 1974
Sam Clancy, DE	Seattle Seahawks, 1983
	Cleveland Browns, 1985-88
	Indianapolis Colts, 1989-93
Jimmy Clark, HB	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1933-34
Bob Clemens, HB	Baltimore Colts, 1962
Nate Cochran, P	**St. Louis Rams, 1997-**
Dwight Collins, WR	Minnesota Vikings, 1984
Paul Collins, E	Boston Redskins, 1932-35
Rob Coons, TE	Miami Dolphins, 1993-94
	Buffalo Bills, 1995-
Jim Corbett, TE	Cincinnati Bengals, 1977-81
Jim Covert, T	Chicago Bears, 1983-91
Fred Cox, K	Minnesota Vikings, 1963-77
Eric Crabtree, WR	Denver Broncos, 1966-68
	Cincinnati Bengals, 1969-71
	New England Patriots, 1971
Paul Cuba, T	Philadelphia Eagles, 1933-35
Jim Cunningham, HB	Washington Redskins, 1961-63
Bill Daddio, E	Chicago Cardinals, 1941-42
	Buffalo Bisons, 1946
Ted Dailey, E	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1933
Averell Daniell, T	Green Bay Packers, 1937
	Brooklyn Dodgers, 1937
Tommy Davies, HB	Hammond Pros, 1922
Bill Davis, WR	**Dallas Cowboys, 1995-**
Julius Dawkins, WR	Buffalo Bills, 1983-84
Jeff Delaney, S	L.A. Rams, 1980
	Detroit Lions, 1981
	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1981
	Baltimore Colts, 1982-83
Mike Ditka, TE	Chicago Bears, 1961-66
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1967-68
	Dallas Cowboys, 1969-72
Randy Dixon, T	Indianapolis Colts, 1987-1995
Chris Doleman, DE	Minnesota Vikings, 1985-93
	Atlanta Falcons, 1994-95
	San Francisco 49ers, 1996-
Anthony Dorsett, DB	**Tennessee Oilers, 1996-**
Tony Dorsett, RB	Dallas Cowboys, 1977-87
	Denver Broncos, 1988-89
Jack Durishan, T	N.Y. Yankees, 1947 (AAFC)
Bill Dutton, HB	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1946
Elbert Ellis, WR	Kansas City Chiefs, 1996
Bobby Epps, HB	N.Y. Giants, 1954-55, 57
Jeff Esters, DL	Los Angeles Rams 1993-1995
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1995
Rob Fada, G	Chicago Bears, 1983-84
	Kansas City Chiefs, 1985
Karl Farmer, WR	Atlanta Falcons, 1976-77
	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1978
Ralph Fife, G	Chicago Cardinals, 1942, 45
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1946
William Flanagan, HB	Pottsville Maroons, 1925-26
Jim Flanigan, LB	Green Bay Packers, 1967-70
	New Orleans Saints, 1971
Tom Flynn, S	Green Bay Packers, 1984-86
	N.Y. Giants, 1986-1989
Henry Ford, DB	Cleveland Browns, 1955
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1956
Bill Fralic, OL	Atlanta Falcons, 1985-93
	Detroit Lions 1993
Lorenzo Freeman, DT	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1987-89
Sean Gilbert, DE	Los Angeles Rams, 1992-95
	Washington Redskins, 1996-
Charles Gladman, RB	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1987, 89
Fred Glatz, DE	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1956
Art Gob, WR	Washington Redskins, 1959-60
	L.A. Chargers, 1960
Chris Goetz, OG	San Diego Chargers, 1990
	N. Y. Jets, 1991
Marshall Goldberg, HB	Chicago Cardinals, 1939-43, 1946-48
Hugh Green, LB	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1981-85
	Miami Dolphins, 1985-1991
Brian Greenfield, P	Cleveland Browns, 1991
	San Diego Chargers, 1996
Russ Grimm, G	Washington Redskins, 1981-91
Burt Grossman, DE	San Diego Chargers, 1989-93
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1994
Bob Gruber, T	Cleveland Browns, 1986
	Green Bay Packers, 1987
	Miami Dolphins, 1987
	Washington Redskins, 1987

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Mark Gunn, DE	New York Jets, 1991-95
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1996-
John Guzik, LB	L.A. Rams, 1959-60
	Houston Oilers, 1961
Milo Gwosden, E	Buffalo Bisons, 1925
Dick Haley, DB	Washington Redskins, 1959-60
	Minnesota Vikings, 1961
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1961-64
Mike Halapin	**Tennessee Oilers, 1996-**
Charles Hall, DB	Green Bay Packers, 1971-76
Keith Hamilton, DE	**New York Giants, 1992-**
Alonzo Hampton, CB	Minnesota Vikings, 1990
	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1991
	Cleveland Browns, 1992
Charlie Hastings, HB	Cleveland Tigers, 1920
Jo Jo Heath, CB	Cincinnati Bengals, 1980
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1981
	N.Y. Jets, 1987
Warren Heller, HB	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1934-36
Pat Herron, E	Cleveland Tigers, 1920
Craig Heyward, RB	New Orleans Saints, 1988-92
	Chicago Bears, 1993
	Atlanta Falcons, 1994-96
	St. Louis Rams, 1997-
Harold Hinte, E	Green Bay Packers, 1942
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1942
Fred Hoaglin, C	Cleveland Browns, 1966-72
	Baltimore Colts, 1973
	Houston Oilers, 1974-75
	Seattle Seahawks, 1976
Bob Hoel, G	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1935
	Chicago Cardinals, 1937-38
Tom Holleran, FB	Toledo Maroons, 1922
	Buffalo All-Americans, 1923

Rickey Jackson, a second-round draft pick in 1981, has been a perennial All-Pro linebacker. He won his first Super Bowl ring in the 1994 season with the San Francisco 49ers in Super Bowl XXIX. He announced his retirement prior d prior to the start of the 1997 season.

Cornell Holloway, CB	Indianapolis Colts, 1989-92
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1993
Randy Holloway, DE	Minnesota Vikings, 1978-84
	St. Louis Cardinals, 1984
Frank Hood, HB	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1933
Glenn Hyde, C	Denver Broncos, 1976-81, 85
	Baltimore Colts, 1982
	Seattle Seahawks, 1986
	Kansas City Chiefs, 1987
Steve Israel, DB	Los Angeles Rams, 1992-1995
	San Francisco 49ers, 1996-
John Itzel, HB	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1945
Rickey Jackson, LB	New Orleans Saints, 1981-94, 1996
	San Francisco 49ers, 1995
Dietrich Jells, WR	**New England Patriots, 1996-**
Cecil Johnson, LB	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1977-85
Walter Johnson, DT	Dallas Cowboys, 1987
Edgar Jones, HB	Chicago Bears, 1945
	Cleveland Browns, 1946-49 (AAFC)
Gordon Jones, WR	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1979-82
	L.A. Raiders, 1983-84
Quintin Jones, CB	Houston Oilers, 1988-90
Bob Jury, S	San Francisco 49ers, 1978
Scott Kaplan, PK	Detroit Lions, 1994-1995
	Chicago Bears, 1995
Bill Kern, T	Green Bay Packers, 1929-30
Vernon Kirk, TE	L.A. Rams, 1989
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1990
Ben Kish, FB	Brooklyn Dodgers, 1940-41
	Phil-Pitt, 1943
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1944-49
George Kracum, FB	Brooklyn Dodgers, 1941
Eldred Kraemer, G	San Francisco 49ers, 1955
Rich Kraynak, LB	Philadelphia Eagles, 1983-86
	Atlanta Falcons, 1987
	Indianapolis Colts, 1989-91
Frank Kristufek, T	Brooklyn Dodgers, 1940-41
Bob Kuziel, C	New Orleans Saints, 1972
	Washington Redskins, 1975-80
Lindy Lauro, DB	Chicago Cardinals, 1951
Tim Lewis, CB	Green Bay Packers, 1983-86
Vernon Lewis, DB	**New England Patriots, 1993-**
David Logan, NT	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1979-86
	Green Bay Packers, 1987
Carson Long, K	Buffalo Bills, 1977
Bill Maas, NT	Kansas City Chiefs, 1984-92
	Green Bay Packers, 1993
Jim MacMurdo, T	Boston Redskins, 1932-33
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1934-37
John Maczuzak, DT	Kansas City Chiefs, 1964
Dan Marino, QB	**Miami Dolphins, 1983-**
Curtis Martin, RB	**New England Patriots, 1995-**
Paul Martha, S	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1964-69
	Denver Broncos, 1970
Ed Matesic, HB	Philadelphia Eagles, 1934-35
	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1936
Tony Matisi, T	Detroit Lions, 1938
Frank Mattioli, G	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1946
Roman Matusz, DE	Chicago Bears, 1990
Mark May, T	Washington Redskins, 1981-90
	San Diego Chargers, 1991
	Phoenix Cardinals, 1992-93
Fred Mazurek, WR	Washington Redskins, 1965-66
Richie McCabe, DB	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1955, 57-58
	Washington Redskins, 1959
	Buffalo Bills, 1960-61
Joe McCall, RB	L.A. Raiders, 1984
Jim McCusker, T	Chicago Cardinals, 1958
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1959-62
	Cleveland Browns, 1963
	N.Y. Jets, 1964
Ricardo McDonald, LB	**Cincinnati Bengals, 1992-**
Randy McMillan, RB	Baltimore/Indianapolis Colts 1981-86
Bill McPeak, DE	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1949-57
Eric Meadows, HB	Milwaukee Badgers, 1923
Greg Meisner, NT	L.A. Rams, 1981-88
	Kansas City Chiefs, 1989-90
Elmer Merkovsky, T	Chicago Cardinals, 1944
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1945-46
Ed Miller, C	Cleveland Browns, 1989
Dick Mills, G	Detroit Lions, 1961-62
Mike Mohring, DT	**Miami Dolphins, 1997-**
Dave Moore, TE	Miami Dolphins 1992
	Tampa Bay Buccaneers 1992-
Jim Morrow, HB	Canton Bulldogs, 1921
	Buffalo All-Americans, 1922
Bill Neill, NT	N.Y. Giants, 1981-83
	Green Bay Packers, 1984
Mike Nixon, (Nicksick), HB	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1935
	Brooklyn Dodgers, 1942
Stan Olenjiniczak, T	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1935
Jerry Olsavsky, LB	**Pittsburgh Steelers, 1989-**
Al Olszewski, E	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1945
Billy Osborn, WR	Philadelphia Eagles, 1989
Billy Owens, S	Dallas Cowboys, 1988-89

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Lou Palatella, G	San Francisco 49ers, 1955-58
John Paluck, DE	Washington Redskins, 1956, 59-65
Tom Parkinson, FB	Staten Island Stapletons, 1931
Don Parrish, DE	Kansas City Chiefs, 1978
Frank Patrick, FB	Chicago Cardinals, 1938-39
Larry Peace, HB	Brooklyn Dodgers, 1941
Red Pearlman, G	Cleveland Tigers, 1920
	Cleveland Indians, 1921
Tom Perko, LB	Green Bay Packers, 1976
Steve Petro, G	Brooklyn Dodgers, 1940-41
Barry Pettyjohn, C	Houston Oilers, 1987
	Miami Dolphins, 1989
John Pierre, E	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1945
Bill Priatko, LB	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1957
Dave Puzzuoli, NT	Cleveland Browns, 1983-87
	Indianapolis Colts, 1989
Jess Quatse, T	Green Bay Packers, 1933
	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1933-34
	N.Y.Giants, 1935
George Radosevich, C	Baltimore Colts, 1954-56
John Reger, LB	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1955-63
	Washington Redskins, 1964-66
Randy Reutershan, WR	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1978
Billy Reynolds, HB	Cleveland Browns, 1953-54, 57
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1958
	Oakland Raiders, 1960
Gary Richard, CB	Green Bay Packers, 1988
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1989
Curvin Richards, RB	Dallas Cowboys, 1991-92
Paul Rickards, QB	L.A. Rams, 1948
Tom Ricketts, T	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1989-91
	New Orleans Saints, 1994-95
Louis Riddick, DB	San Francisco 49ers, 1991-92
	Cleveland Browns, 1993-95
	Atlanta Falcons, 1996-
Mike Roussos, T	Washington Redskins, 1948-49
	Detroit Lions, 1949
John Sack, G	Columbus Tigers, 1923-25
	Canton Bulldogs, 1926
Andy Salata, G	Orange Tornadoes, 1929
	Newark Tornadoes, 1930
Bryant Salter, S	San Diego Chargers, 1971-73
	Washington Redskins, 1974-75
	Baltimore Colts, 1976
	Miami Dolphins, 1976
Ron Sams, G	Green Bay Packers, 1983
	Minnesota Vikings, 1984
	N.Y. Jets, 1986
Joe Schmidt, LB	Detroit Lions, 1953-65
Ted Schmitt, C	Philadelphia Eagles, 1938-40
Marty Schottenheimer, LB	Buffalo Bills, 1965-68
	Boston Patriots, 1969-70
Eric Schubert, K	N.Y. Giants, 1985
	St. Louis Cardinals, 1986
	New England Patriots, 1987
Mike Sebastian, HB	Philadelphia Eagles, 1935
	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1935
	Boston Redskins, 1935
Fred Seidel, G	Canton Bulldogs, 1921
Harry Seidelson, G	Frankford Yellowjackets, 1925
	Akron Indians, 1926
Ed Sharockman, CB	Minnesota Vikings, 1962-72
Dale Sies, QB	Cleveland Tigers, 1920
	Dayton Triangles, 1921-22, 1924
	Rock Island Independents, 1923
	Kenosha Maroons, 1924
Don Silvestri, PK	**New York Jets, 1995-**
Tom Sims, DT	Kansas City Chiefs, 1990-93
	Indianapolis Colts, 1994-95
	Kansas City Chiefs, 1996
Tony Siragusa, DE	Indianapolis Colts, 1990-96
	Baltimore Ravens, 1997-
Vinnie Sites, E	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1936-38
Joe Skladany, E	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1934
Leo Skladany, DE	Philadelphia Eagles, 1949
	N.Y. Giants, 1950
Lou Slaby, LB	N.Y. Giants, 1964-65
	Detroit Lions, 1966
Frank Souchak, E	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1939
Marc Spindler, DT	Detroit Lions, 1990-94
	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1995
	New York Jets, 1996
Ed Stahl, G	Cleveland Tigers, 1920
	Dayton Triangles, 1921
Herb Stein, C	Buffalo All-Americans, 1921
	Toledo Maroons, 1922
	Frankford Yellowjackets, 1924
	Pottsville Maroons, 1925-26, 28
Mark Stepnoski, C	Dallas Cowboys, 1989-1995
	Tennessee Oilers, 1995-
John Stock, WR	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1956
Jim Sweeney, C	N. Y. Jets, 1984-94
	Seattle Seahawks, 1995
	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1996-
Larry Swider, P	Detroit Lions, 1979
	St. Louis Cardinals, 1980
	Tampa Bay Buccaneers, 1981-82
Willie Taylor, WR	Green Bay Packers, 1978
Lynn Thomas, CB	San Francisco 49ers, 1981-82
Claude Thornhill, T	Cleveland Tigers, 1920
	Buffalo All-Americans, 1920
Bob Thurbon, B	Philadelphia-Pittsburgh, 1943
	Cards-Pittsburgh, 1944
	Buffalo Bisons, 1946 (AAFC)
Keith Tinsley, WR	Cleveland Browns, 1987
Rick Trocano, QB	Cleveland Browns, 1981-83
David Trout, K	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1981, 87
Tom Tumulty, LB	**Cincinati Bengals, 1996-**
Alex Van Pelt, QB	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1993
	Kansas City Chiefs, 1994-1995
	Buffalo Bills, 1995-
Adam Walker, RB	San Francisco 49ers, 1993-95
	Philadelphia Eagles, 1996-
Elliott Walker, RB	San Francisco 49ers, 1978
Frank Walton, G	Boston Redskins, 1934
	Washington Redskins, 1944-45
Joe Walton, TE	Washington Redskins, 1957-60
	N.Y. Giants, 1962-63
Troy Washington, DB	Phoenix Cardinals, 1989
Izzy Weinstock, QB	Philadelphia Eagles, 1935
	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1937-38
Henry Weisenbaugh, HB	Pittsburgh Pirates, 1935
	Boston Redskins, 1935-36
Gibby Welch, HB	N.Y. Yankees, 1928
	Providence Steamroller, 1929
Al Wenglikowski, LB	Buffalo Bills, 1984, 87
Walt West, QB	Cleveland Rams, 1944
Reggie Williams, WR	New Orleans Saints, 1991
Carlton Williamson, S	San Francisco 49ers, 1981-88
J.C. Wilson, CB	Houston Oilers, 1978-83
Zonar Wissinger, G	Pottsville Maroons, 1926
Jim Woodruff, E	Chicago Cardinals, 1926
	Buffalo Bisons, 1929
Tony Woods, LB	Seattle Seahawks, 1987-92
	Los Angeles Rams, 1993
	Washington Redskins, 1994-
John Yaccino, DB	Buffalo Bills, 1962
Joe Zombek, DE	Pittsburgh Steelers, 1954

Pittsburgh Players in the Super Bowl

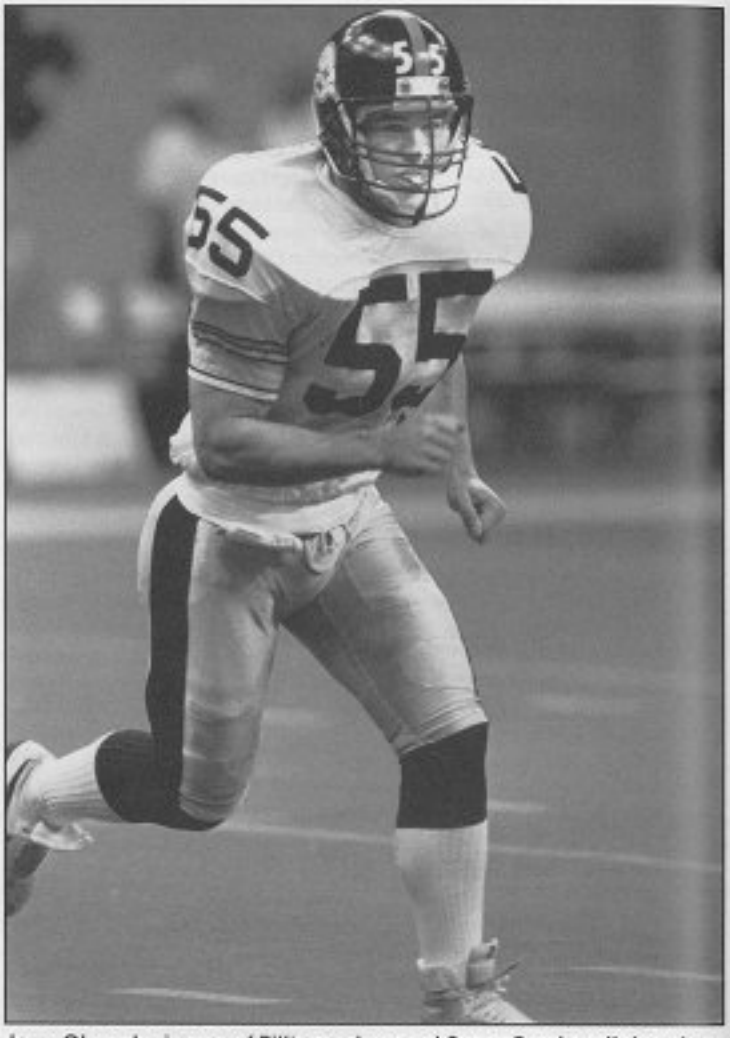
The Super Bowl is without a doubt the biggest annual one-day event in American sports. A number of former Pittsburgh players have played and coached in the Super Bowl, and many wear the ring of victory. In fact, at least one Pittsburgh alumnus has been associated with the winning team in 15 of the last 17 Super Bowls. The exception was Super Bowl XXIV in 1990 and SuperBowl XXXI in 1997.

Most recently, linebacker Jerry Olsavsky of the Pittsburgh Steelers, and Billy Davis, a free agent wide receiver and special teams player for the Dallas Cowboys, continued Pittsburgh's impressive string of players in the Super Bowl, when they battled in Super Bowl XXX.

Other recent Pitt players appearing in the Super Bowl were Adam Walker and Rickey Jackson, claiming Super Bowl rings as members of the San Francisco 49ers in 1994; and Mark Stepnoski appeared as the starting center for the Super Bowl XXVII Champion Dallas Cowboys.

Mike Ditka is the only Pittsburgh man to win the Super Bowl as both a player and head coach. Ditka was a member of the Dallas Cowboys when they defeated Miami in Super Bowl VI. In 1986, Ditka coached the Chicago Bears to victory in Super Bowl XX against the New England Patriots. Among the Bears' starters that day was tackle Jim Covert, a former Pittsburgh All-American. Carlton Williamson added a third Super Bowl ring to his collection five years ago as a member of the NFL Champion San Francisco 49ers. The first Pitt alumnus to accomplish this feat, Williamson also earned rings in Super Bowls XVI and XIX. Only two other former Panthers, Russ Grimm and Mark May, have captured the coveted prize more than once. Grimm and May both received rings for the Washington Redskins' triumphs in Super Bowls XVII, XXII, and XXVI. Grimm received another ring in 1991.

No Pitt player was more fortunate to get to the Super Bowl than Tom Flynn, who began the 1986 season with Green Bay. The Packers released him, and later in the same season he signed with the New York Giants, who captured Super Bowl XXI. On the flipside, placekicker Fred Cox, a star at Pittsburgh from 1959-61, endured the agony of four Minnesota Super Bowl defeats. Dan Marino had arguably the best season ever for a pro quarterback in 1984, but his Dolphins lost to San Francisco in Super Bowl XIX.



Jerry Olsavsky is one of Pitt's most-recent Super Bowl participants as a linebacker for the Pittsburgh Steelers in Super Bowl XXX.

Russ Grimm, currently an assistant coach for the Washington Redskins, was a standout center for the Panthers who went on to play in four Super Bowls as a member of the Redskins before his retirement in 1991.

Pittsburgh's Super Bowl Participants:

Gary Burley, Cincinnati, XVI
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Jim Corbett, Cincinnati, XVI
Jim Covert, Chicago, XX
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Tony Dorsett, Dallas, XII, XIII
Tom Flynn, New York Giants, XXI
Russ Grimm, Washington, XVII, XVIII, XXII, XXVI
Glenn Hyde, Denver, XII
Rickey Jackson, San Francisco, XXIX
Dietrich Jells, New England Patriots, XXXI
Gordon Jones, Los Angeles Raiders, XVIII
Vernon Law, New England Patriots, XXXI
Dan Marino, Miami, XIX
Curtis Martin, New England, XXXI
Mark May, Washington, XVII, XVIII, XXII
Jerry Olsavsky, Pittsburgh, XXX
Ed Sharockman, Minnesota, IV
Mark Stepnoski, Dallas, XXVII, XXVIII
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Adam Walker, San Francisco, XXIX
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Duratz Athletic Complex

As pedestrians walk up legendary DeSoto Street, known by Pitt students and football fans as "Cardiac Hill," one may notice a recent facelift to Pitt Stadium. The tinted, paned windows encasing the upper portion of the Pitt Stadium outer walls, may seem subtle to the outside viewer, but what lies behind that glass is spectacular.

Behind those windows situates one of the finest athletic training and conditioning facilities in the country, the Duratz Athletic Complex. The $5.87 million complex is a showcase for the Panther football program.

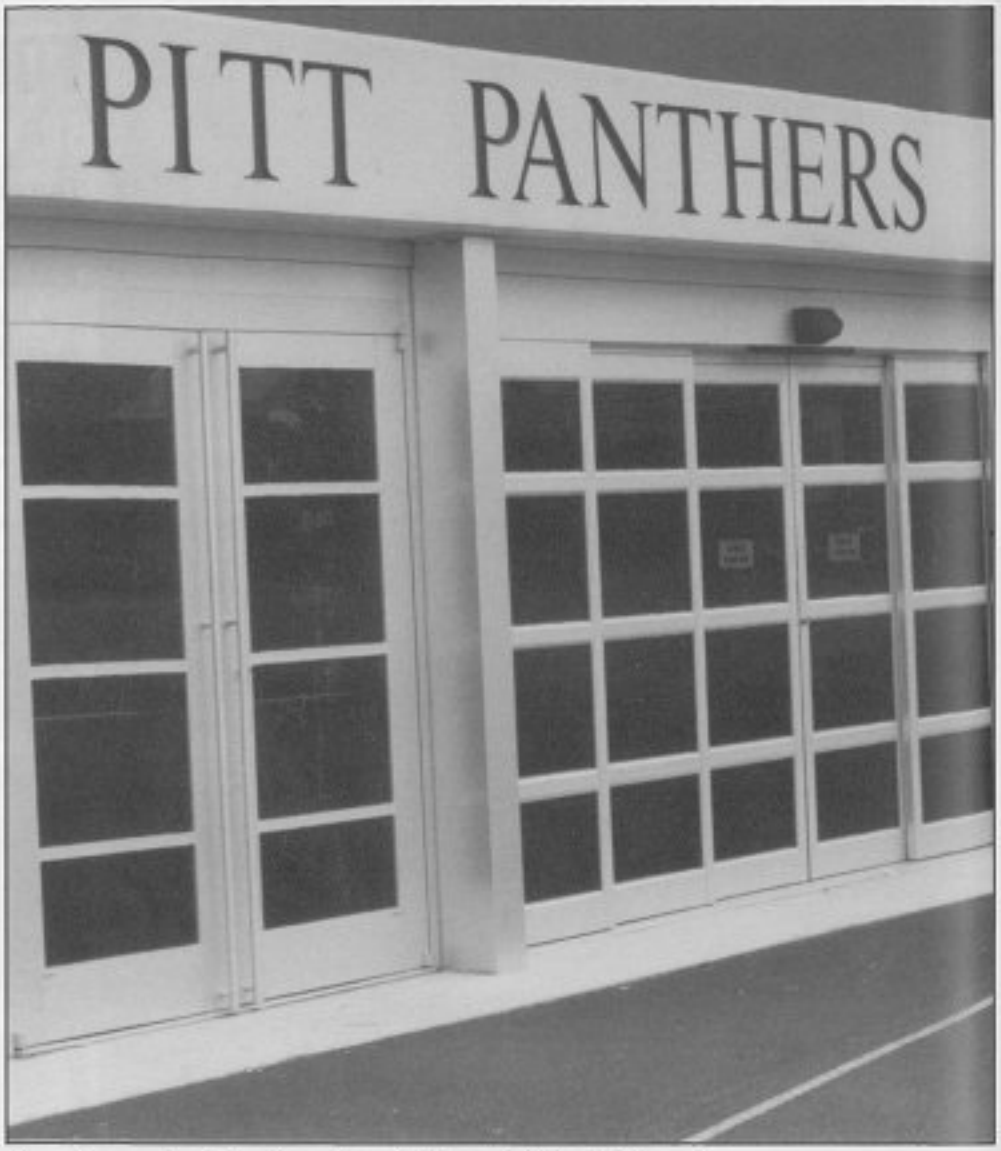
Completed in early August 1995, the Duratz Athletic Complex included primary expansion of the preceding football facilities, including demolition of the Stadium's interior from Gate 1 to Gate 3. The primary project in the initial phase was the construction of a new and enlarged home locker room for 125 student-athletes with a new player tunnel entrance to the field; new training, weight and equipment rooms; and a state-of-the-art injury rehabilitation area complete with a hydrotherapy pool.

One of the showpieces of the renovation project is Pittsburgh's impressive new player entrance which cuts through a portion of the Section 7 seating area.

This immaculate glass enclosed entrance tunnel leads to the player locker room and a corridor which serves as a hallway passage throughout the entire football complex.

A concrete roof with "Pitt Panthers" chisled into the headboard serves as a magnificant threshold through which the Panthers enter and exit the field.

The premise for the Pitt Stadium renovations was simple. The Pittsburgh football program's needs had signficantly outgrown and surpassed the existing facilities in Pitt Stadium. Yet, Pitt Stadium had much valuable space that was previously unused. There was enough available space inside Pitt Stadium to accommodate its transformation into one of the best, most contemporary facilities in the country...a facility that will better allow Pitt's student-athletes to flourish and grow.



The entrance tunnel is a showpiece for the new Pitt football complex.

The successful completion of this project will serve as a tribute to the achievements of the exceptional student-athletes and coaches who have distinguished the University of Pittsburgh for more than a century, as well as a commitment to those who will wear the blue and gold in the century to come.

But Pitt's glittering new locker room, weight room, training room and equipment room is only the beginning.

An expanded academic support area will be completed in the near future.

Pittsburgh student-athletes deserve the best during their academic and athletic careers at the University. With increasingly difficult schedules and challenging academic demands, student-athletes require special academic support.

The main emphasis of the Phase II portion of the project is the construction of a greatly expanded facility for the Academic Support Services Office, more than quadrupling the space currently available to the student-athletes and augmenting their opportunities for academic growth and development.

Featuring classrooms, individual tutorial and small group meeting rooms, a library and media resource center, auditorium, computer lab, and a large study lounge, this facility will keep Pitt at the forefront in academic support programs for student-athletes.

Duratz Athletic Complex

In addition, the construction of a new football office complex, including coaches' offices, meeting rooms and locker rooms, is planned in the next portion of the project.

The new complex also will contain a permanent home in Pitt Stadium for the marching band, a comprehensive complex that will include a main rehearsal hall and five individual rehearsal areas, uniform and instrument storage areas, a music library, a reception area and locker rooms for band members.

Additional components of the renovation project will address gameday operation needs, including the reconfiguration of the interior concourses into a spectacular atrium space which will permit easier access throughout the stadium; new restroom and concession facilities; a multi-purpose room, and an expanded ticket office. Additionally, the present Gate 3 area will be completely refurbished into a new spectator entrance.

One of the features of the new Pitt locker room is the encased lockers, which serve as a shrine for the only four players in Pitt football history who have had their jerseys retired by the University. Three more former Panther greats—Mike Ditka, Marshall Goldberg and Joe Schmidt—will join that elite list this fall when their jerseys are retired during Pittsburgh's 1997 Homecoming game. Former Panther coach John Majors will join the locker display after Athletic Director Steve Pederson announced a locker in Majors' honor will be retired.

Pitt's expansive locker room contains individual locker cubicles for up to 125 student-athletes.

A corridor allows access to all areas of the Duratz Athletic Complex and provides a field-side view of Pitt Stadium.

"The Iron Works"

The University of Pittsburgh football weight room, known as The Iron Works has been a symbol for the Panther football program for more than a decade.

Now the Pitt football team can boast a new and improved Iron Works, which is even more impressive than before.

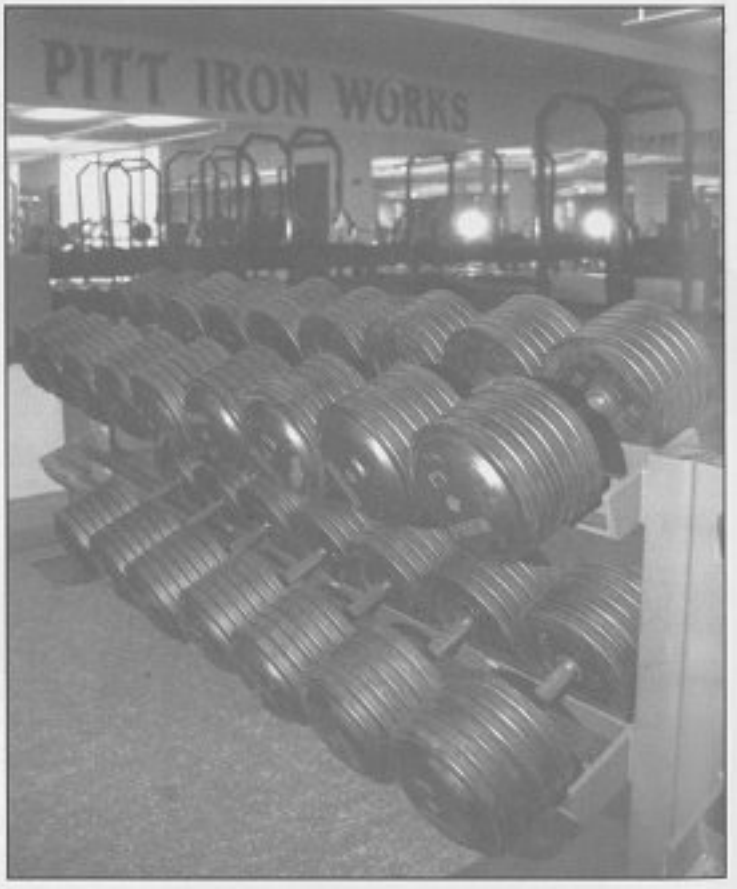
The philosophy of Head Football Coach Walt Harris is to develop a better football player through hard work. The proper balance of nutrition, strength training, speed development and developing a more explosive athlete is imperative for developing a more explosive student-athlete.

Buddy Morris, who dubbed the Pittsburgh weight room the "Iron Works," is once again the sargeant master of the Panther weight room.

The new Iron Works is a state-of-the-art facility in which the Pitt football team can train to achieve those training goals. There are more than 70 pieces of assorted weight equipment and approximately 7.69 tons of weight at the players' disposal.

Since Morris' arrival in January, Iron Works has even taken on a newer look.

Because of their belief in Morris, many of Pittsburgh's greatest football players who are currently still playing in the NFL or have completed successful professional careers donated the funds for Morris to purchase more than $15,000 worth of equipment, which he believes was essential for the weight room.



Nearly eight ton of weight is available for Pitt football players in the expansive Iron Works. All football players are monitored by a computerized weight training and conditioning program.

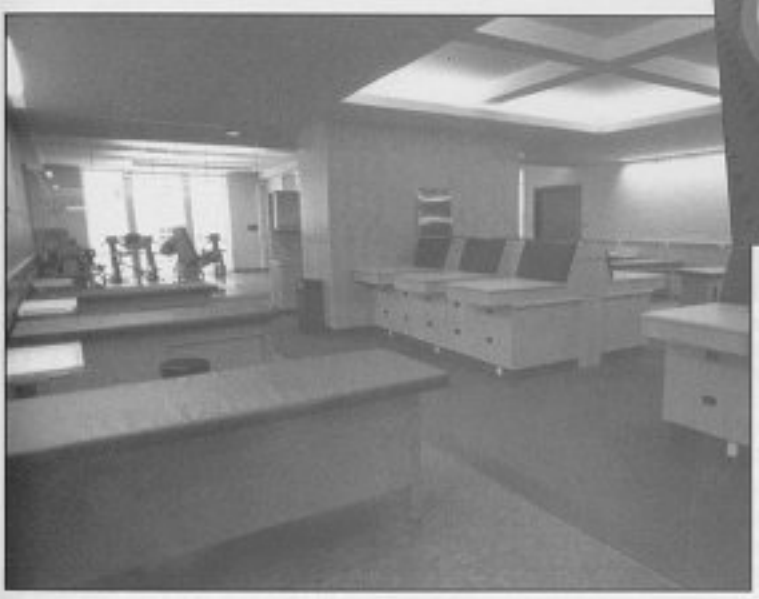
Athletic Training Room

The new Pitt Athletic Training Room is also part of the Duratz Athletic Complex and is a medical state-of-the-art facility matched perhaps by no one in college or even professional football.

The 5,800-square-foot facility is equipped with the most modern therapeautic modalities, custom-designed taping stations, a hyrdotherapy area, which includes a walk-in whirlpool, four extremeties whirlpools, and a SwimEX rehabilitation pool.

Additionally, the rehabiliation area includes specialized equipment, cardiovascular training apparatus and a KinCom computerized rehabilitation system.

To evaluate athletes, team physicians have a spacious exam room, which also houses a fluoroscan imaging system for immediate access to x-ray results.



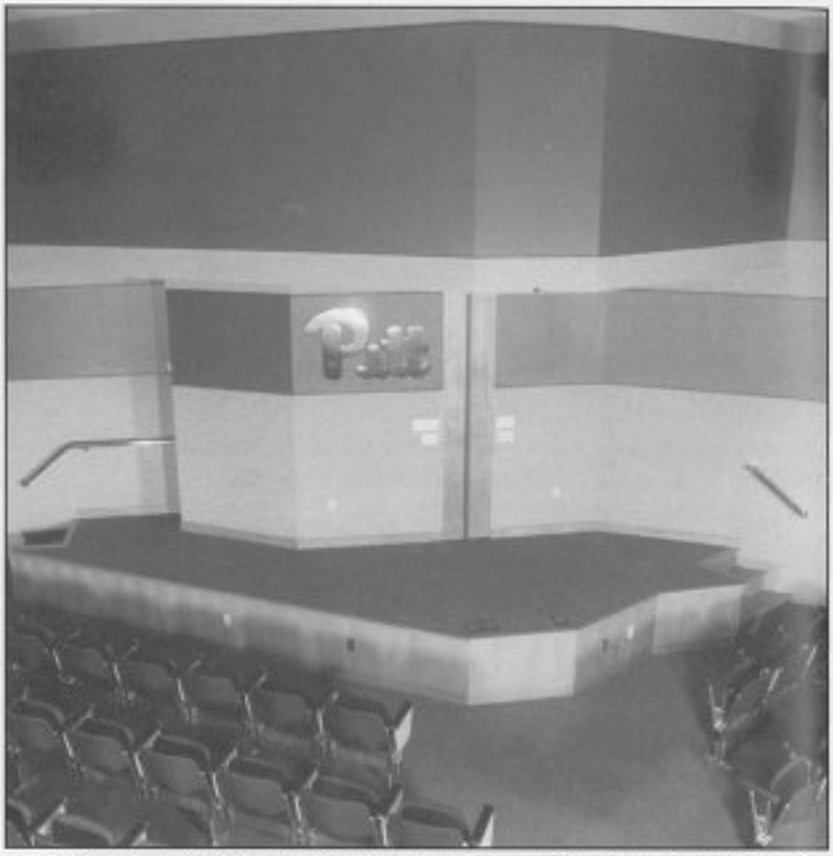
State-of-the art therapeautic modalities and rehabilitation equipment pictured here make Pitt's athletic training room one of the finest facilities of its kind in the country.

Stewart Auditorium and Cost Center

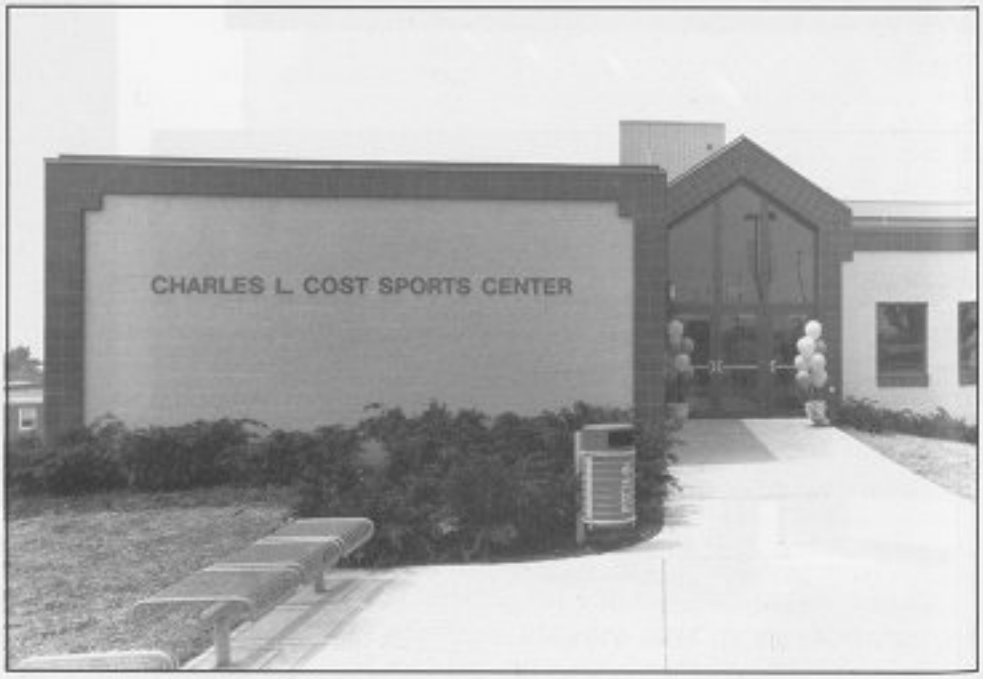
STEWART AUDITORIUM AND THE CHARLES L. COST CENTER

The George W. Stewart Auditorium, dedicated May 1, 1991, was completed in summer 1990 and is used for team meetings, football postgame press conferences and viewing game video. Equipped with state-of-the-art video and audio systems, the Stewart Auditorium has three individual meeting rooms built around the spacious auditorium and balcony, which is capable of seating an entire football squad. The raised stage in front of the auditorium makes the facility perfect for lectures and press conferences.

Another complex available to the football team is the Charles L. Cost Sports Center. This indoor athletic complex is used as an indoor workout facility for the football team. Charles L. Cost, a running back and three-sport athlete at Pitt in the mid-1950s, donated in excess of $1 million toward construction of the the complex, which sits atop a seven-story parking garage (Towerview Garage).



The Stewart Auditorium has served as a team meeting center for the Pitt football team since 1990. In addition to the auditorium, the facility has three individual cubicles which are used for smaller meeting groups.



The Charles L. Cost Center is a welcome facility when inclement weather forces the football team indoors. The Cost Center contains a regulation-sized football field with an artificial playing surface. The Cost Center has not only been a valuable resource for the football team, but many of the other Pitt sports teams take advantage of the facility for practices and athletic events.

Pitt Stadium History

Not until 1925 did Pitt football teams have a home to call their own.

From 1890 to 1908, Pitt (then known as Western University of Pennsylvania) played at various ballparks, including old Recreation Park and Exposition Park on Pittsburgh's North Side, in the general vicinity of Three Rivers Stadium.

From 1909-1924, Pitt teams played at Forbes Field, the old home of the Pittsburgh Pirates. Forbes Quadrangle (which houses University classrooms and several departments), bordered by Roberto Clemente Drive, now stands on the old Forbes Field site.

Because of the great interest in Pitt football, Forbes Field's capacity of 32,000 grew to be inadequate in the early 1920s. The 11,000 alumni and 9,000 students, each of whom were entitled to two seats, left little space for the general public. This was especially true for the big games of the day against Washington & Jefferson, Carnegie Tech, Penn State, and West Virginia.

The vexing question of where to locate a new stadium was solved by the discovery of a perfectly practical land site, part of which belonged to the University, and the remainder of which lay immediately adjacent — nine acres of the Bailey Estate. In the summer of 1923, the Athletic Council bought this ground, turning it over to the Trustees of the University to become a part of the campus.

In November of 1924, the Trustees authorized a first mortgage bond issue of $2,100,000, the proceeds to be deposited with the Union Trust Company of Pittsburgh as trustee, and to be used for the purchase of this site and the erection of the stadium. The sale of the bonds, which carried with them ticket buying privileges, was conducted by volunteer solicitors, including Jock Sutherland. The campaign was a striking success, the entire issue being taken within nine days. At the end of that period oversubscriptions of more than a half million dollars had to be returned.

The original stadium committee appointed by the Board of Trustees to oversee site selection, a bond sale, and construction included George H. Clapp, president; K. E. Davis, secretary; A. R. Hamilton; A. J. Kelly, Jr.; C. W. Wettach; and Floyd Rose, committee members.

W. S. Hindman, an 1898 graduate of the University's School of Engineering, was the chief engineer and designer of the stadium.

Construction began on Aug. 7, 1924, and was completed Sept. 1, 1925, less than four weeks before Pitt played Washington & Lee in the first game at the new stadium.

Jock Sutherland, while he was still head coach at Lafayette, had purchased several thousand dollars worth of bonds two years before the stadium was built. After he succeeded Pop Warner as Pitt's head coach, he proceeded to sell bonds to former teammates from his own playing days under Warner. He also actively promoted the bonds to other people in the Pittsburgh community.

The Turner Construction Company, the same firm that had built Penn's Franklin Field and Cornell's Schoellkopf Stadium, was the general contractor. The John F. Casey Company did the excavating work; the McLintock-Marshall Company did the steel work, and the New England Foundation Company provided the foundations.

Pitt Stadium, which covers approximately nine acres, is 791 feet long and 617 feet wide. It was originally configured to hold a capacity of 69,400, and the design permitted future double-decking (allowing provisions for another 30,000 seats to be added if desired).

A total of 2,200 tons of structural steel was used in setting up the bowl, as well as 1,000 tons of reinforced steel, and 20,000 cubic yards of concrete.

Unlike many of its contemporaries in the 1920s, which had been built to accommodate one or two sports, Pitt Stadium at the time of its construction was a unique multi-faceted venue. It housed nearly all of the University's nonaquatic sports: football, basketball, baseball, track, rifle and gymnastics. The basketball court in the Stadium Pavilion (beneath the ramps inside Gate 2) served as Pitt's home from 1925 until 1951, when Fitzgerald Field House opened. While in use for home basketball games, it contained permanent seats at two ends, and temporary bleachers on the sides, accommodating 4,000 people.

The Pittsburgh Steelers and Carnegie Tech (now Carnegie Mellon University), have used Pitt Stadium as their home fields at one time or another.

The stadium has undergone several significant changes, particularly within the past 20 years. In 1970, Astroturf became the playing surface, replacing natural grass. A Superturf replaced the Astroturf in 1984. During the summer of 1990, a new Astroturf surface was installed.

One improvement that hit close to home with Panther supporters in the late 1970s was a change in seating structures from wood to metal benches, eliminating the splintery discomfort caused by some 17

Eiseman-Prussin Room

In 1988, Pitt dedicated a multipurpose room inside Gate 2 at the stadium as the Eiseman-Prussin Conference Room in memory of Edwin H. Eiseman, a 1967 Pitt graduate. George J. Prussin, who contributed $75,000 to the recently opened Cost Sports Center, wanted, in some way, "to honor and sustain the memory" of Eiseman.

A 1967 graduate and a member of Pitt's baseball team, Prussin became friendly with Eiseman through the Phi Epsilon Pi fraternity and through intramural sports. Eiseman died of Hodgkin's disease in 1969.

Pitt Stadium History

miles of wood that had been subjected to a half century of the elements.

A new scoreboard was installed prior to the 1977 season. A new computer system, featuring football animation software, was installed in the summer of 1989, vastly enhancing the capabilities of the message center. The auxiliary scoreboard was also modified in 1988, and now includes significant game data, including down and distance.

Pitt Stadium became a more efficient and more attractive edifice in 1978, when a new coaching complex was opened. The two-floor office, reception, conference room, and workout area now houses the entire football staff.

In addition, a brand new, spacious, and more efficient Ticket Office headquarters was opened at Gate 1 in 1979.

Improvements completed in 1990 include a video editing suite adjacent to the football administrative offices and the George Stewart Auditorium team meeting room directly above the weight room.

Lights were installed on a temporary basis for night games in 1985 and 1986. Pitt's first night game ever in the stadium was a thrilling 31-30 win over Purdue on August 31, 1985. Permanent lights were installed before the 1987 season.

The current lights consist of six standards — four on the home side of the field and two on the visitor's side—and range from 110-to 180-feet tall. Each pole contains 50 1,500 watt metal halide lighting fixtures. The system is designed to reduce glare and augment television depth perception.

The Pitt Stadium is now the home of the Panthers' football, soccer and track teams.

Pitt Stadium Chronology

--Ground purchased in June 1923.
--Excavation started August 7, 1924.
--Sale of bonds announced October 31, 1924.
--Public sale commenced November 12, 1924 and completed November 21, 1924.
--Steel work completed in March, 1925.
--Entire stadium construction finished September 1, 1925.
--Opening Game with Washington & Lee on September 16, 1925.
--Dedication game with Carnegie Tech on October 24, 1925.

Pitt Stadium Attendance Facts

Year-by-Year Average Attendance at Pitt Stadium

1925	22,468	**1961**	37,454
1926	17,804	**1962**	35,189
1927	25,771	**1963**	40,227
1928	17,597	**1964**	40,981
1929	29,765	**1965**	37,536
1930	36,814	**1966**	31,605
1931	25,204	**1967**	29,239
1932	25,717	**1968**	27,793
1933	28,371	**1969**	30,505
1934	42,814	**1970**	29,638
1935	26,813	**1971**	35,884
1936	27,067	**1972**	21,047
1937	36,667	**1973**	30,484
1938	40,029	**1974**	42,087
1939	33,065	**1975**	42,023
1940	26,158	**1976**	44,931
1941	24,859	**1977**	47,978
1942	12,022	**1978**	44,670
1943	17,736	**1979**	44,951
1944	13,220	**1980**	48,542
1945	16,148	**1981**	50,860
1946	24,232	**1982**	54,818
1947	41,515	**1983**	51,485
1948	32,168	**1984**	39,237
1949	34,210	**1985**	40,220
1950	19,965	**1986**	46,498
1951	27,795	**1987**	47,982
1952	26,203	**1988**	41,691
1953	29,055	**1989**	46,705
1954	36,443	**1990**	38,264
1955	33,043	**1991**	36,512
1956	47,944	**1992**	32,687
1957	45,245	**1993**	30,181
1958	44,811	**1994**	31,565
1959	38,008	**1995**	33,175
1960	38,734	**1996**	30,795

Highest Seasonal Average

54,818 in 1982
51,485 in 1983
50,860 in 1981
49,472 in 1978
48,542 in 1980
47,982 in 1987
47,978 in 1977
47,944 in 1956
46,705 in 1989
46,498 in 1986
45,245 in 1957
44,951 in 1979
44,931 in 1976
44,811 in 1958
42,814 in 1934

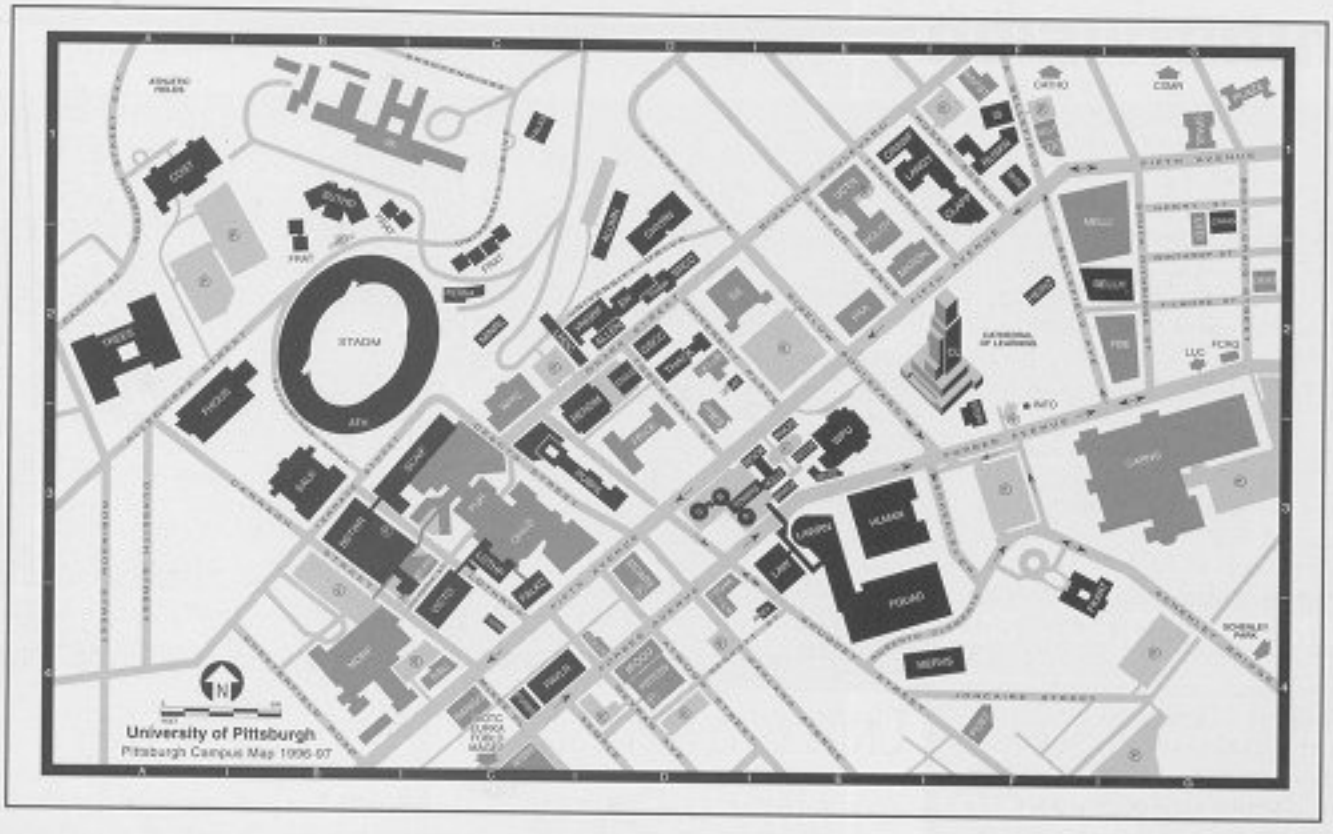
Largest Crowds (Pitt Stadium)

68,918 vs. Fordham (1938)
66,622 vs. Notre Dame (1936)
66,586 vs. Notre Dame (1930)
64,164 vs. Nebraska (1937)
63,133 vs. Army (1935)
60,283 vs. Penn State (1983)
60,260 vs. Penn State (1981)
60,162 vs. Notre Dame (1982)
60,134 vs. Penn State (1985)

Away Games

95,824 vs. Tennessee (1983)
94,008 vs. Tennessee (1980)

A Guide To Pitt Stadium



Directions to Pitt Stadium

From the airport:

Take I-279 North toward Pittsburgh. Pass through the Fort Pitt Tunnel, stay to the right, and bear right on the first ramp after the tunnel, onto I-376. Exit I-376 at the Oakland/Forbes Ave. exit, which is the first off ramp you will encounter. At the third light, turn left (Exxon station on the corner). Go straight through the first stoplight and up the hill (Darragh St.) to the first stop sign. Turn right and the Stadium is two blocks on the left.

Approximate driving time: 25-30 minutes.

From the Pennsylvania Turnpike (Route 76):

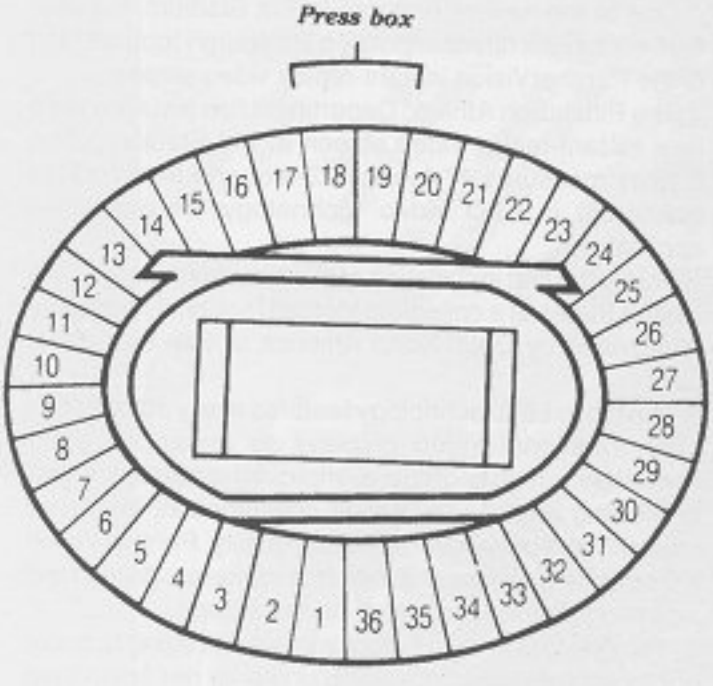
Take the Pittsburgh/Monroeville Exit (6) off the Turnpike and follow I-376 West toward Pittsburgh. Take Oakland Exit (7). Proceed up the hill and straight through the first stoplight. Make the second left (after the stoplight) onto McKee Avenue. Go straight through two stoplights, up a hill (Darragh St.) and make a right at the first stop sign. The Stadium is two blocks on the left.

Approximate driving time: 30 minutes.

From the North (Route 279 Expressway):

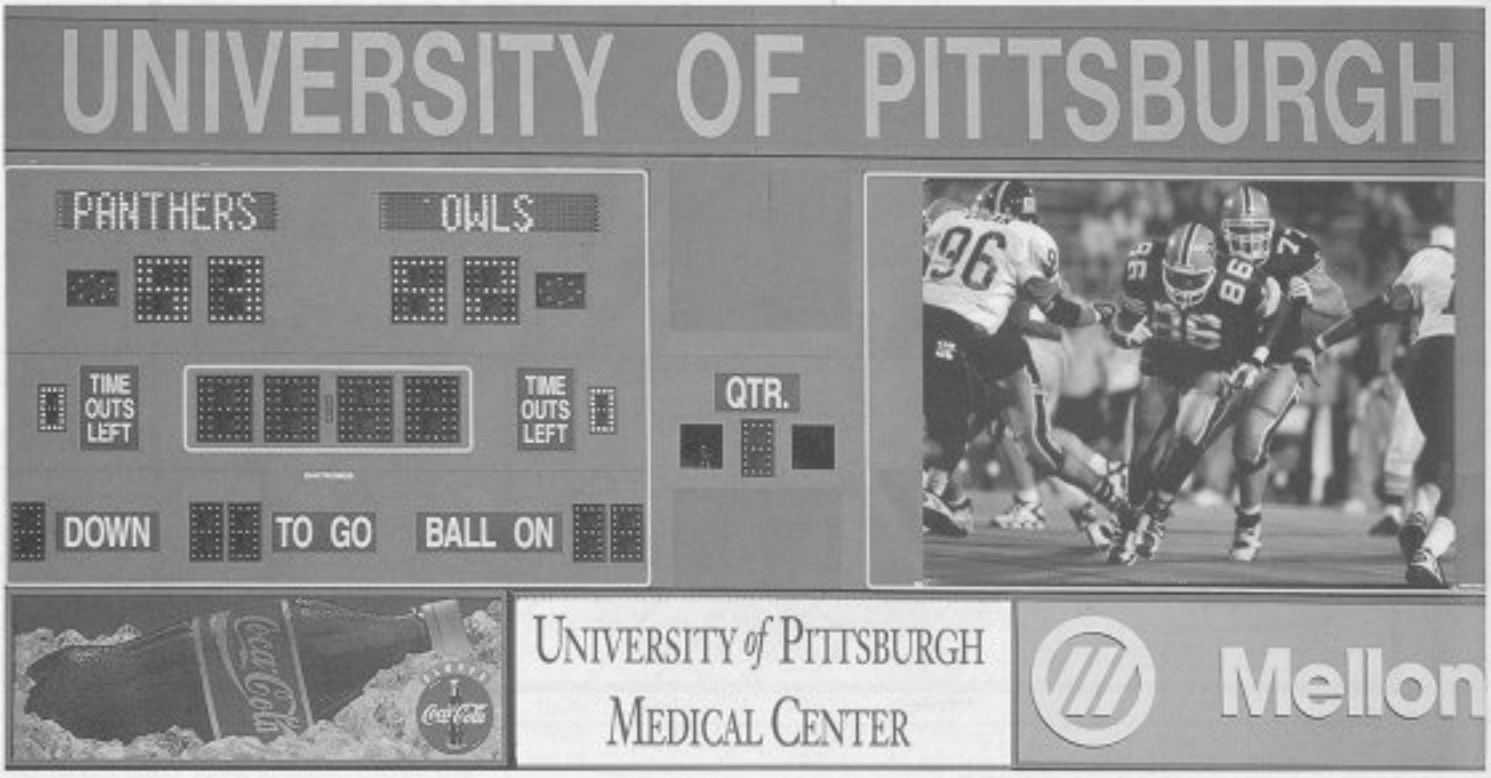
Take 279 South to Liberty Bridge exit. Follow signs to Monroeville exit. Take Monroeville ramp (Route 376 East) to Boulevard of the Allies. Follow Boulevard of Allies to Forbes Ave. exit. At third light, turn left (former University Inn and Exxon station on the corner). Go straight through the first stoplight and up the hill (Darragh St.) to the first stop sign. Turn right and the Stadium is two blocks on the left.

Approximate time (Liberty Bridge exit): 10-15 minutes.



Gameday at Pitt Stadium

PantherVision



More Fun for the Fans

One of the newest features to Pitt Stadium this year that will have a direct impact on Pittsburgh football fans is the PantherVision instant-replay video screen.

The Pittsburgh Athletic Department has installed the a new instant-replay video screen at Pitt Stadium. The display measures 17-feet-by-23-feet and incorporates the latest in LED video technology for out video applications.

This is the first installation of this new technology in the United States at a collegiate football facility. The display is provided by Optic North America of San Francisco, Calif.

The Optic LED technology features many advantages over traditional video displays to enhanced color consistency, high brightness, improved resolution, greater viewing angles, low power consumption, improved reliability and better overall picture quality. PantherVision will operate on gameday with four cameras, giving fans a network-quality broadcast on the screen.

"PantherVision is one more way we are trying to make our football games more entertaining for our fans," said Athletic Director Steve Pederson. "Pittsburgh football fans are so knowledgeable that they will enjoy watching each replay. I am confident it will have a significant impact on our football game presentation."

PANTHER FANFEST DEBUTS ON GAMEDAY

The University of Pittsburgh will debut another attraction for Pittsburgh football fans to enjoy on gameday of all home Panther football games—Panther FanFest.

Panther Fanfest will be situated in the "D" parking lot located between Gates 2 and 3 at Pitt Stadium. Panther Fanfest offers a number of fun activities and games for fans to enjoy:

Accept the Quarterback Challenge, bounce on the Moonwalk or get the new Pittsburgh Panther logo painted on your face. Listen to a Dixieland band while clowns and a football juggler entertain fans.

Fans can also mingle and get some autographs of past and present Pittsburgh Panther athletes and coaches.

The event will prove to be fun and exciting to people of all ages.

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University of Pittsburgh

Founded in a log cabin in 1787, the University of Pittsburgh is among the oldest institutions of higher education in the United States. The University has nearly 169,000 alumni living in all 54 states and territories and 117 foreign countries whose accomplishments range from winning Olympic gold medals to unlocking the secrets of DNA. From University laboratories have come Jonas Salk's polio vaccine and the identification of Vitamin C. Today, this former frontier University is an internationally recognized center of learning and research, strong in the arts and sciences, and the professions.

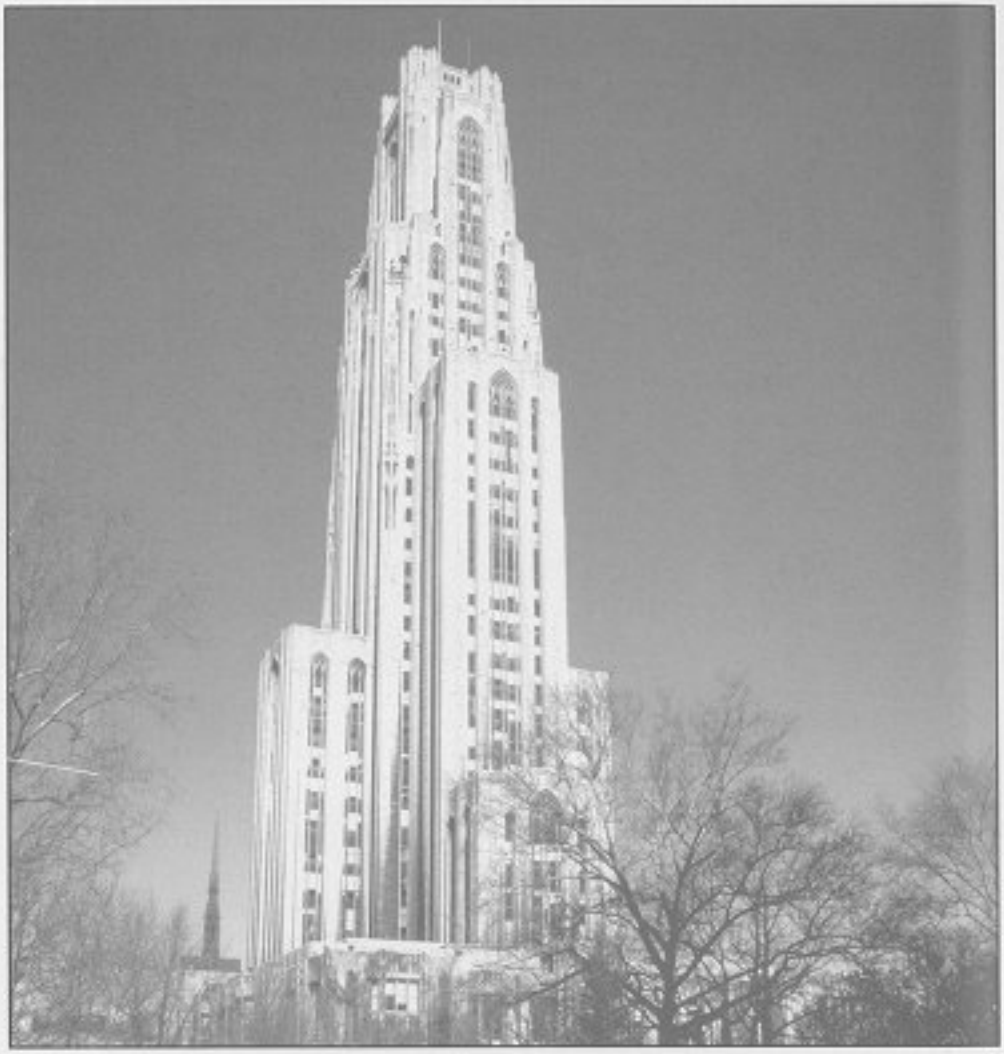
The University's Pittsburgh campus consists of more than 90 buildings on 132 acres in Oakland, the city's cultural and medical center. Pitt also has four regional campuses in Bradford, Greensburg, Johnstown and Titusville, Pennsylvania.

Pitt's total enrollment for its five campuses is 31,656 students. Of this total, 23,767 are full-time and 7,889 are part-time: 22,226 are undergraduates and 9,430 are graduate students. More than 25,000 of the students are enrolled at the Pittsburgh campus.

The Pitt faculty totals 3,184 full-time and 667 part-time. The University has 38 endowed chairs and professorships. Each year the University honors faculty excellence with Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching, and Research, and Public Service Awards.

The University is a state-related institution serving the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the nation and the international community through its missions of instruction, research, and public service. Its Board of Trustees has 50 members, 12 of whom are appointed by the state. Mark A. Nordenberg was named Pitt's 17th chancellor June 20, 1996. Nordenberg, 49, previously held positions as dean of Pitt's Law School, and interim provost and senior vice chancellor He served as the interim chancellor from Aug. 1, 1995, until his current appointment.

Pitt was selected to membership in the Association of American Universities (AAU), in acknowledgement of its position as one of the top research universities in North America. University researchers bring in more than $250 million annually for sponsored research and other sponsored programs, and Pitt ranks in the top ten nationally in terms of research funds received from the National Institute of Health.



Pitt Facts

Pitt is 210 years old, making it one of the nation's oldest educational institutions, established in 1787, just after the original colonial colleges.

Pitt has several programs ranked in the top 25 in their field nationally including anthropology, art history, economics, history and philosophy of science, industrial engineering, and linguistics. Pitt also has many other highly ranked programs including chemistry, English language and literature, music, pharmacology, physics, political science and psychology, among others.

The University Honors College allows highly motivated undergraduate students to pursue exceptionally challenging honors courses and degrees, and to conduct independent research. Pitt students have won a number of prestigious awards in recent years, including Rhodes, Marshall and Truman scholarships, and National Mellon Fellowships in the Humanities.

Pitt athletes have won national championships in football, conference titles in many sports, national rankings in basketball, wrestling and volleyball, and individual national championships in gymnastics, swimming and track and field. Former Pitt track and field star Roger Kingdom is a two-time Olympic gold medalist.

Pitt's University Center for International Studies offers an extensive study-abroad program, and the opportunity to spend an entire semester aboard the SS Universe, the world's only floating campus. UCIS also offers area studies programs in Asian, East Asian, Latin American, East European, Russian, Soviet Studies and West European Studies.

Pitt was ranked as one of the 100 "best college values" in higher education among national universities in a 1996 *Money Magazine* report.

Mark A. Nordenberg, Chancellor

Since the Board of Trustees elected Mark A. Nordenberg as the University of Pittsburgh's 17th Chancellor on June 20, 1996, the 20-year Pitt veteran has been working on his resolution to maintain a strong commitment to the students who are at the heart of our institutional mission, to the research programs which distinguish Pitt internationally, and to the role the University must play in building a strong region.

"Pitt has been a remarkably resilient institution since its found-ing more than two centuries ago," Nordenberg said. "It has changed to meet the needs of the times—transforming itself from a log-cabin school located on the edge of the frontier into one of the world's leading research universities."

Pitt is academic home to more than 32,000 students, nearly 4,000 faculty, and well over 5,000 staff members—who live and learn and work on five campuses. Over 170,000 alumni are contributing citizens in every corner of the world, with the single largest group—more than 60,000 strong—residing here in Allegheny County. The quality of Pitt programs in areas as diverse as philosophy and transplantation surgery has received international recognition and the University is a promising source of technological developments that can improve the quality of life and bolster the area's economy.

"We have paid particular attention to undergraduate education, and the results of our efforts clearly suggest that we are moving in the right direction," Nordenberg said. Last fall's entering undergraduate class was one of the largest in the University's history. "We need to underscore the fact that recent recruitment efforts have produced better qualified students, and not just more students," Nordenberg explained. This past year, Pitt had three prestigious Goldwater Scholarship winners, a seventh-place finalist out of nearly 2,500 entrants in the Putnam Mathematics Competition, and the establishment by students of the "Pitt Promise" which expresses a commitment "to the advancement of learning and service to society...in an atmosphere of mutual respect and civility, self-restraint, concern for others, and academic integrity."

Nordenberg also has been busy shaping effective management approaches and assembling a talented and committed leadership team. Its new members include an Athletic Director, Head Football Coach, Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement, Dean of the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, Dean of the Katz Graduate School of Business and the College of Business Administration, and President of Pitt's Greensburg campus.

The Nordenberg Family: Chancellor Mark Nordenberg (center), (left to right) son, Michael, daughter, Erin, the Chancellor's Wife, Nikki, and son, Carl.

New research dollars have boosted many Pitt programs, including the R.K. Mellon Foundation's grant to the Center for Neural Basis of Cognition (a partnership with neighboring Carnegie Mellon University) and the Whitaker Foundation's grant to the School of Engineering for its bioengineering program in conjunction with the School of Medicine and the School of Health and Rehabilitation Sciences. Recently, *The Chronicle of Higher Education* listed Pitt as one of the top recipients of foundation support nationally.

In addition, all four area studies programs of the University's Center for International Studies—Asian, Latin American, Russian and East European, and West European—have been redesignated as national resource centers. And Pitt has been endorsed as a "Center of Excellence" for Parkinson's disease and other neurological disorders by the National Parkinson Foundation. *The Rise of American Research Universities: Elites and Challengers in the Postwar Era* labeled Pitt "a rising star" and ranked it among America's top 25 public research institutions.

In discussing the reasons for his intense pride in the University, Nordenberg points to its rich tradition in terms of strong and innovative education programs, pioneering research accomplishments, community contributions, and athletic achievements. He also underscores his feelings of gratitude to the many people who have delivered on their pledges of support.

This is not the first time that Nordenberg has contributed to the leadership of the University. He was appointed acting Dean of the School of Law in 1985 and Dean in 1987. His strong leadership helped the School of Law increase its national stature in terms of teaching and scholarship.

In 1993, the University sought his help as Interim Provost and Senior Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. Serving in this capacity for the 1993-94 academic year, Nordenberg chaired the Council of Deans and the University Planning and Budgeting Committee, and initiated the University's long-range planning effort. During the 1994-95 academic year, Nordenberg further demonstrated his commitment to University service by serving as chairperson of the Search Committee for the Senior Vice Chancellor for the Health Sciences.

He was appointed a Distinguished Service Professor of Law in June of 1994. In 1984, he was the initial recipient of the Excellence in Teaching Award, an honor now presented annually by the Student Bar Association and the graduating class of the School of Law. The following year, he was a recipient of a Chancellor's Distinguished Teaching Award, a university-wide award which recognizes excellence in teaching.

"The prominent position we now occupy carries with it both opportunities and responsibilities," Nordenberg said. "An important sense of our overall direction is an unbounded quest for quality. Simply put, we want to be among the best in everything we do—in teaching, in research, and in service."

Steven C. Pederson, Athletic Director

Although his tenure as director of athletics has been relatively brief, Steve Pederson has already made a major impact on the University of Pittsburgh and its athletic programs.

Armed with refreshing energy and dedication, Pederson is intent on leading Pittsburgh into a new and exciting era of athletic excellence.

Pederson, 39, was named Pittsburgh's 10th athletic director by Chancellor Mark A. Nordenberg on Oct. 28, 1996, after serving the previous 2½ years as the associate athletic director at the University of Nebraska.

"In what clearly has been a fast-track career, Steve Pederson has earned great respect within the collegiate athletic community," said Chancellor Nordenberg. "As a part of the selection process, we contacted coaches, athletic directors, conference officials and university leaders. Those who knew him labeled Steve a 'can't miss candidate.' After spending several hours with him, I came to the same conclusion. His energy, creativity and values will be huge assets to our athletic program, as well as to the larger university."

Pederson's first year as Pittsburgh's athletic director has been marked by many exciting initiatives and changes.

Within the first five months of his administration, he oversaw a major restructuring of the athletic department to increase its efficiency and effectiveness. Pederson also has been the driving force behind many marketing, merchandising and public relations initiatives.

With the goal of making the Pittsburgh Athletic Department more "fan-friendly," Pederson implemented several changes to its ticket sales operation. In addition to expanding ticket office hours, Pittsburgh fans can now purchase tickets over the Internet or from a mobile ticket van that travels throughout Western Pennsylvania.

One of the most noticeable changes has been the new Pittsburgh Panthers logo and color schemes. The new Panther logo and standardized Navy blue and gold color scheme has been adopted by all of the University's 19 intercollegiate sports, giving Pittsburgh's athletic program an exciting, new unified look.

He also formed a lucrative footwear and apparel partnership with adidas and Champion that will directly benefit Pittsburgh student-athletes. The adidas partnership, one of only five alliances adidas made with college athletic programs—the other four include Notre Dame, Tennessee, Nebraska and Northwestern—provides footwear for all Pittsburgh athletes.

Champion, meanwhile, will provide all on-the-field apparel for the Pittsburgh sports teams as well as being the sole supplier for the Pittsburgh football team uniforms.

"The excitement that lies ahead at the University of Pittsburgh is going to come from a lot of hard work and dedication from our staff and takes a great commitment from our student-athletes," said Pederson. "We have wonderful student-athletes here, and their commitment is so important to what we are doing and I'm excited to work with them.

The Pedersons

(Front, l-r) Kristin, Mark and Kari. (Back, l-r) Steve and Tami Pederson.

"I believe in building a solid foundation for our program. I don't believe in talking about game by game by game. We are building a program here. A program that will perpetuate on into the next century as one of the great programs in college athletics."

In his position at Nebraska as the associate director of athletics and director of football operations, Pederson oversaw one of the most successful football programs in the country. In 1994 and 1995 the Cornhuskers produced back-to-back undefeated national championship seasons.

Pederson also was responsible for major facility improvement programs and the fund-raising accompanying those programs.

In his two years at Nebraska, Pederson was instrumental in implementing a plan to raise $20 million to build a $36 million skybox and press box addition to Nebraska's Memorial Stadium. In addition, he was responsible for negotiating a multi-year, multimillion dollar footwear and apparel contract for the Nebraska Athletic Department and football program. Pederson also formulated the marketing program to expand the sales of Nebraska licensed apparel throughout the country.

Pederson directed the renovation of the Athletic Medicine Center, locker room, players' lounge, halftime meeting space and Hall of Honors areas in the current athletic facilities.

Prior to his appointment at Nebraska, Pederson joined the Tennessee football staff in 1991 as Head Coach Johnny Majors' recruiting coordinator. A year later he was promoted to assistant athletic director for recruiting and then was elevated to associate athletic director for football operations in the spring of 1993. In three seasons at UT, the Volunteers' recruiting classes were regarded among the top three nationally by several publications. The Volunteers' 1994 class was heralded as the best in the country by several recruiting experts.

Pederson also served as the recruiting coordinator at Ohio State from 1988 through 1991 and helped rebuild the Buckeyes into the perennial power that they are today.

A native of North Platte, Nebraska, Pederson was graduated from Nebraska in 1980 with a degree in business administration. Following graduation, he spent a year in the Husker sports information department as an assistant sports information director and served one year as the public relations and marketing director at Ak-Sar-Ben in Omaha, Neb. He returned to Coach Tom Osborne's staff in 1982 as a recruiting coordinator and administrative assistant.

Beginning in 1986, Pederson took a two-year hiatus from college athletics to enter private business. In 1988, he joined Ohio State as football recruiting coordinator.

Pederson is married to the former Tami Osborne. The couple has three children Mark (13), Kari (10) and Kristin (7). Tami is a professional violinist, who played with the Lincoln and Knoxville symphonies. She currently plays with symphonies and quartets in Western Pennsylvania and also teaches private violin lessons in Fox Chapel.

Athletic Administration

Marc Boehm
Executive Associate Athletic Director

Marc Boehm, who spent the last six years as associate executive director of the Tostitos Fiesta Bowl, one of college football's most prestigious postseason games, joined the Pittsburgh Athletic Department this past spring as executive associate athletic director.

In his new capacity, Boehm assists Athletic Director Steve Pederson in the day-to-day administrative functions of the athletic department.

While with the Fiesta Bowl, Boehm was instrumental in building the community and marketing programs. During his tenure the Fiesta Bowl emerged as one of college football's most lucrative postseason games. This past year it distributed a payout of more than $26 million to the participating institutions.

Boehm also helped pioneer the Fiesta Bowl's move into the Bowl Alliance and worked consistently with the collegiate community in the operation of the game and its 40 other community events. He directed and managed a 125-member fund-raising committee, composed of Arizona business leaders, which was responsible for generating more than $4.5 million in cash and in-kind partnerships.

Boehm also worked directly with the Fiesta Bowl Board of Directors and executive director on various projects to enhance the event's overall image in concert with the City of Phoenix and Tempe officials and Frito-Lay Inc. by building awareness throughout the Valley of the Sun through billboard sponsorships, advertising and national and local promotions.

Prior to joining the Fiesta Bowl, Boehm served as associate director and public relations director of the Sun Bowl from 1987-91, coordinating the media relations and publicity initiatives for the Sun Carnival's 12 major events. From 1986-87, he was a sports information assistant at the University of Florida.

A 1984 graduate of Kansas State, Boehm, a Topeka, Kan. native, earned his master's degree from St. Thomas University in Miami, Fla., in 1985. He and his wife Janelle have two sons, Broderick (5) and Christian (3).

Carol Sprague
Senior Associate Athletic Director/
Women's Administration

Carol Sprague begins her 23rd year in the Pittsburgh Athletic Department. As senior associate athletic director, Carol Sprague is responsible for the oversight of all of Pittsburgh's 17 intercollegiate olympic sports programs.

During her tenure, Pittsburgh teams have won 28 BIG EAST Conference championships. Individual student-athlete honors during that time include numerous All-Americans and Big East champions as well as several Olympians and NCAA national champions.

Sprague is very active in NCAA affairs. She serves as a member of the NCAA Management Council, where she represents the BIG EAST Conference in the new NCAA Governance structure, and on the NCAA Administrative Committee and NCAA Administrative Review Panel. She has served on numerous BIG EAST Conference committees, including the Women's Basketball Executive Committee, Committee on Championships, Women's Volleyball Committee, Men's Soccer Committee, Men's and Women's Swimming and Diving Committee, the Equity Committee and the Senior Women's Administrator Committee.

Sprague began her career with Pittsburgh in 1974 as an assistant swimming coach. Since that time she has served in several different capacities, including coordinator of student affairs for student athletes, assistant athletics director for women's sports and associate athletics director.

A graduate of Slippery Rock University, Sprague earned her bachelor's degree in health and physical education in 1971 and a master of science degree in education administration in 1974. A member of the Rockets' swimming team, she was an NCAA national championship qualifier.

Sprague additionally was a member of two United States Slo-Pitch Softball Association World Championship teams during her 22-year career with the Pittsburgh Debs softball team. She was inducted into the Penn Hills Sports Hall of Fame in May 1992 and was the 1993 recipient of the Women in Sports Lifetime Achievement Award awarded by the Greater Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce.

Athletic Administration

Tim Fitzpatrick
Associate Athletic Director/
Development and Marketing

Tim Fitzpatrick is in his second year with the Pittsburgh Athletic Department.

Recently named associate athletics director for development and marketing, Fitzpatrick initially joined the department as associate athletic director for external affairs.

In his current capacity, Fitzpatrick oversees Pittsburgh's development and marketing efforts as well as the ticket office.

Prior to his Pittsburgh appointment, Fitzpatrick served as the senior associate athletic director at the University of North Texas, where he was responsible for all facets of marketing, development and public relations management for its Division I athletic program. His primary duties included direct supervision of external relations staffs in corporate sponsorship marketing, radio/television sales and network coordination, athletic development operations, ticketing and media relations.

Fitzpatrick also served as the senior administrator, overseeing areas of financial operations, football, and men's and women's basketball. Before joining North Texas, Fitzpatrick served as assistant commissioner for the Southwest Conference for two years and additionally held positions at Virginia Commonwealth (1986-92), and the U.S. Military Academy (1982-85). Fitzpatrick and his wife, Elizabeth, live in the North Hills.

Joe Phillips
Associate Athletic Director/
Business, Finance & Personnel

Joe Phillips, associate athletic director for business, finance and personnel, joined the Pittsburgh Athletic Department in 1992 after serving five years in the University's audit department.

Phillips is responsible for the athletic department's fiscal affairs and for supervising the day-to-day operations of the athletic business office and its dealings with the University's controller, purchasing, human resources and budget offices. He additionally oversees the equipment, video, facilities and event-management areas.

Phillips began his Pittsburgh association as a student, graduating with a B.A. in business and economics in 1985. After graduation, Phillips became a senior auditor in the University's internal audit department, where he reviewed both the financial and operational activities of University departments. Phillips completed his M.B.A. at Pittsburgh in 1991.

He and his wife, Michelle, live in the North Hills.

Donna DeMarino Sanft
Associate Athletic Director/
Student Life and Compliance

Donna DeMarino Sanft, associate athletic director for student life and compliance, enters her 27th year with the Pittsburgh Athletic Department. Her association includes time as a student-athlete and head coach.

Sanft is responsible for monitoring athletes' eligibility and financial aid, coordinating Pittsburgh's compliance and NCAA rules education programs, and overseeing the student-athlete life skills program. She is also a member of the BIG EAST Conference Championship Committee and the BIG EAST Legislative Committee.

While coaching the Lady Panthers gymnastics team for 12 years (1974-1986), Sanft compiled an 82-50-1 record. She was twice selected as the Eastern Collegiate Coach of the Year.

A 1974 graduate of Pittsburgh with a B.S. and M.Ed. in physical education, Sanft was a member and three-year captain of the gymnastics team. She was named Pittsburgh's Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year in 1974.

She and her husband, Elliott, have two daughters, Liza (17) and Leah (14).

Ron Wahl
Assistant Athletic Director/
Media Relations

Ron Wahl, assistant athletic director for media relations, has a 10-year association with the Pittsburgh Athletic Department. Promoted to his current capacity this past spring, Wahl previously served as sports information director for 2½ years and assistant sports information director from 1988-94.

Wahl is responsible for managing the athletic media relations department at Pittsburgh and coordinating the day-to-day publicity efforts for the Panther football team.

A member of CoSIDA, Wahl edited the 1989-90 Pittsburgh Varsity Sports Yearbook that was selected as the Best in the Nation and has co-edited numerous other athletics publications that have received national recognition. Prior to his Pittsburgh appointment, he served as sports information director and assistant media relations director at Point Park College.

Wahl received a bachelor's degree in journalism from Indiana University of Pennsylvania (where he also played football for three years) in 1982 and worked as an intern in the IUP Sports Information office. He earned his master's degree in journalism and communications in 1993 from Point Park College.

Wahl and his wife, Elaine, have a daughter, Erika (6).

Athletic Administration

Jim Earle
Assistant Athletic Director/
Gameday Marketing/Merchandising

In his fifth year with the Pittsburgh Athletic Department, Jim Earle was recently appointed assistant athletic director for gameday marketing and merchandising.

Earle initially joined Pittsburgh as assistant director of varsity sports. He later was appointed assistant athletic director for football operations, a capacity he served in for two years, before being named to his current position in April 1997.

Earle is responsible for coordinating the department's merchandising and licensing programs as well as game day and event marketing initiatives. In addition to those duties, he also is active in coordinating community service activities involving student-athletes, specifically its school visitation program in which Pittsburgh student-athletes speak at elementary, middle and high schools around Western Pennsylvania.

Prior to joining Pittsburgh, Earle was a buyer for Kaufmann's Department Store for five years. He received his bachelor's degree in marketing from Miami (Ohio) in 1988 and his M.B.A. from Pittsburgh in 1995.

He and his wife, Heather, reside in the North Hills area of Pittsburgh with their 1½-year-old son, Andrew James.

Walt Bielich
Assistant Director of Athletic
Development

Walt Bielich joined the Pittsburgh Athletic Department as a full-time staff member in April 1991, but his association with the University goes back to his ungraduate days in the early 1950s.

Bielich currently serves as a part-time staff member in the athletic development office and his main duties involve the Varsity Letter Club and Wheels of Support program.

Retired from the United States Steel Corporation in 1986, Bielich stills serves as a consultant for the company. He was instrumental in the formation of Pitt's National Alumni Network and was a 1988 recipient of the Varsity Letter Club's Letterman of Dinstinction Award.

Bielich graduated from Pittsburgh in 1955 with a bachelor's degree in economics. He also earned his master's degree from Pitt in 1957.

Bielich is married to Hope Mervosh, who graduated from Pittsburgh's School of Education in 1954. The Bielichs have four children: sons John and Steve and daughters Norma and Mary.

E.J. Borghetti
Assistant Director Media Relations

E.J. Borghetti joined the Pittsburgh Athletic Department this past summer as assistant director of media relations.

Borghetti has extensive ties to the University of Pittsburgh. He graduated from the University in 1992 with a B.A. in communications and was as an undergraduate sports information intern. His father, Ernie, was an All-America tackle for the Panthers in 1963 and helped them to a 9-1 record and number-three national ranking that year.

Borghetti served as sports information director at neighboring Carnegie Mellon University for the last 2½ years. A member of CoSIDA, his 1996 Carnegie Mellon football program was voted Best in the Nation. From 1992-94 Borghetti was a sports information assistant at Columbia University in New York City.

Rich Cole
Assistant Director for Varsity Sports

Rich Cole begins his third year in the Pittsburgh Athletic Department after being appointed assistant director for varsity sports in September 1996.

In his position, Cole assists the varsity coaches and senior associate athletic director Carol Sprague with the administration of Pittsburgh's 17 Olympic sports programs.

His primary responsibilities are game operations, budget preparation and monitoring, event planning, scheduling, and assisting with alumni development for those programs.

Cole brings a wealth of athletic administration experience to his position, and previously worked at Miami (Fla.) for nine years in various positions, including business manager for football and director of athletics services. He also was an instructor in the graduate school of sports administration for three years.

Prior to Miami, Cole was a teacher and coach at the junior and senior high school levels in North Carolina.

Cole received his bachelor's degree from Mansfield College in 1976, where he played basketball and golf, and he earned his master's degree from Miami (Fla.).

Cole and his wife, B.J., have two children: Ricki Lee (15) and Tyler (13).

Athletic Administration

John Hatfield
Equipment Coordinator

Equipment coordinator John Hatfield is in his ninth year with the Pittsburgh Athletic Department.

Appointed to his current position in April 1997, Hatfield's responsibilities include the purchasing, reconditioning, repairing and inventory of all athletic equipment and uniforms for the Panthers' 19 intercollegiate teams. He additionally assists in general game operations and supervises Pittsburgh's student-managers.

A native of Canton, Ohio, Hatfield graduated from the University of Maryland in 1970. His college years included a three-year stint with the United States Army.

Prior to joining the Pittsburgh Athletic Department, Hatfield was athletics equipment manager at Kent State University (1979-85), John Carroll University (1986-87) and the College of Wooster (1987-89). He also worked part-time with the Cleveland Browns from 1978-87 as an equipment and operations assistant.

Married, Hatfield's wife's name is Mary.

Rex Hough
Director of Ticket Marketing and Customer Service

Rex Hough, director of ticket marketing and customer service, begins his seventh year with the Pittsburgh Athletic Department.

Hough is responsible for sales and the creative marketing for the athletic department's ticket operation. Additionally, he assists in client acquition for the Panthers' corporate partnerships and oversees the athletic department'snewly created customer service unit.

Hough joined Pittsburgh as assistant ticket manager in 1990. He was elevated to ticket manager in 1993 before assuming his current position.

Prior to joining Pittsburgh Hough did similar work as the administrative assistant in the ticket office at the United States Military Academy.

Hough graduated from West Virginia University in 1988 with a degree in business administration.

Married to Jill Donofrio, Hough resides in North Versailles.

Martin Kennedy
Assistant Director of Athletic Development

Marty Kennedy joined the Pittsburgh athletic development staff in 1995. As assistant director for athletic development, Kennedy serves as liaison to all local Golden Panther Chapters and oversees the annual scholarship fund drive.

Prior to joining the athletic department staff, Kennedy held development positions with the University of Pittsburgh's School of Dental Medicine and its Katz Graduate School of Business.

Before joining the University, he worked with the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Western Pennsylvania and served for four years as director of annual giving at his alma mater, Westminster College in New Wilmington, Pa.

Kennedy and his wife Maureen reside in Oakmont with their daughter Erin (3).

Jason Lener
Ticket Manager

Jason Lener was recently promoted to ticket manager for the Pittsburgh Athletic Department, after serving as assistant ticket manager last year.

As ticket manager, Lener is responsible for the sale and distribution of all tickets for Pittsburgh athletics events. He additionally handles the coordination of all operational event staff personnel.

Lener graduated from Westminster College in nearby New Wilmington, Pa., in 1993 with a B.A. in business administration. He was a three-year letterman for the Titan football team, a perennial small-college power. Lener went on to receive his M.B.A. in sports management from Robert Morris.

He and his wife, Jodi, reside in Heidelberg.

Athletic Administration

Maria Novey
Administrative Assistant

Maria Novey, administrative assistant for volleyball and men's and women's basketball, is in her fourth year with the Pittsburgh Athletic Department. Her association with the University of Pittsburgh, however, dates back nearly 25 years.

Novey joined the athletic department in 1994 as Head Men's Basketball Coach Ralph Willard's administrative assistant. Her responsibilities were expanded to include women's basketball and volleyball this past spring.

Prior to joining the athletic department, Novey served as the executive assistant in the Chancellor's office from 1991-94. She was the assistant to former University Executive Vice President Jack Freeman from 1982-91. Novey initially joined the University as a staff member in the Office of the Provost in 1973 and served there until her promotion in 1982.

Novey and her husband, John, reside in the North Hills with their two children, Michael (8), and Carolyn (2).

Todd McCarthy
Video Coordinator

Todd McCarthy is in his second year as video coordinator for the Pittsburgh Athletic Department.

McCarthy's responsibilities include handling the video needs for Pittsburgh's football and basketball teams as well as its Olympic sports. He also oversees other video projects associated with the athletic department.

McCarthy graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a bachelor's degree in mass communications in 1992.

He worked with WRIC-TV, an ABC affiliate in Richmond, Va., from 1992-94 before joining the University of Richmond, where he was sports video coordinator from 1995-96.

Sally Sheerer
Assistant Director of Athletic Development

Sally Sheerer, a former standout women's basketball player at the University of Pittsburgh from 1984-88, joined the Pittsburgh Athletic Department this past summer as assistant director of athletic development.

Sheerer, a Fox Chapel native, was a top forward for the Lady Panthers and team captain in 1987 and 1988. The team's Most Valuable Player her junior year, she still ranks among the top 10 scorers and rebounders in Pittsburgh history.

Sheerer received her bachelor's degree in economics from Pittsburgh in 1988. She went on to earn her M.B.A. from the University's Katz Graduate School of Business in 1990.

Sheerer previously was a senior development associate for the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center. This past year she coordinated two major golf outings, which raised more than $225,000 for UPMC. Prior to her position at UPMC, she served as an account development representative for Pepsi-Cola Company.

Donna Sloan
Assistant Coordinator of Student Affairs for Athletes

An employee of the University of Pittsburgh for 17 years, Donna Sloan begins her ninth year in the athletic department as the assistant coordinator for financial aid.

Sloan previously worked with the University's office of student accounts, where she was an administrative aide.

Sloan helps to process student-athlete financial aid, monitor athletic eligibility and monitor student athletes' registration. She earned an associate's degree in business from Duff's School of Business in 1978.

Sloan's interests outside the Pittsburgh Athletic Department involve music. She is a soloist and choir director at the Christ Missionary Baptist Church of Homewood.

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Steve Lewis
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Rande Stottlemyer
Wrestling

Walt Harris
Football

Michelle Phelan
Softball

Sports Medicine

More than 500 University of Pittsburgh student-athletes receive medical care provided by the University's athletic training program.

Pittsburgh is one of only 73 colleges and universities which offers an undergraduate athletic training education program approved by the National Athletic Trainers' Association (NATA). Moreover, Pitt is one of only two institutions to have undergraduate, master's and doctoral programs in athletic training.

Established in 1975, the athletic training program prepares students for a career in the multidisciplinary field of sports medicine. Upon completion of the athletic training education program, the student is eligible for the NATA administered certification examination. The athletic training curriculum has 40 undergraduate, 11 masters and six doctoral students enrolled and is staffed by six faculty-certified athletic trainers who operate the University's sports medicine program.

Pittsburgh athletes receive treatment in three athletic training rooms on campus. Each sport has a full-time certified athletic trainer or graduate assistant and student athletic trainers assigned to provide medical coverage during all practices and games. The staff is dedicated to providing all aspects of prevention, evaluation, management and rehabilitation of injuries and illnesses.

The sports medicine staff also runs a sports medicine clinic in Pitt Stadium for all athletes to be evaluated by one of the sports medicine physicians. This clinic provides the athletes with an opportunity to be seen by specialists as well as providing the student athletic trainer with an outstanding learning environment.

The clinic is staffed by Dr. Freddie H. Fu, and is assisted by Dr. Christopher Harner (orthopaedic surgeon), Dr. David Stone (rehabilitation and primary care), Dr. Donald Marion (neurosurgery), and the three sports medicine fellows, Dr. Deryk Jones, Dr. Lawrence D. Higgins and Dr. Craig H. Bennett. In addition, a staff of consulting specialists is available at the University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC) to assist in providing quality medical treatment for Pitt athletes. Hospital care is provided at the UPMC.

Dr. Freddie Fu
Team Physician

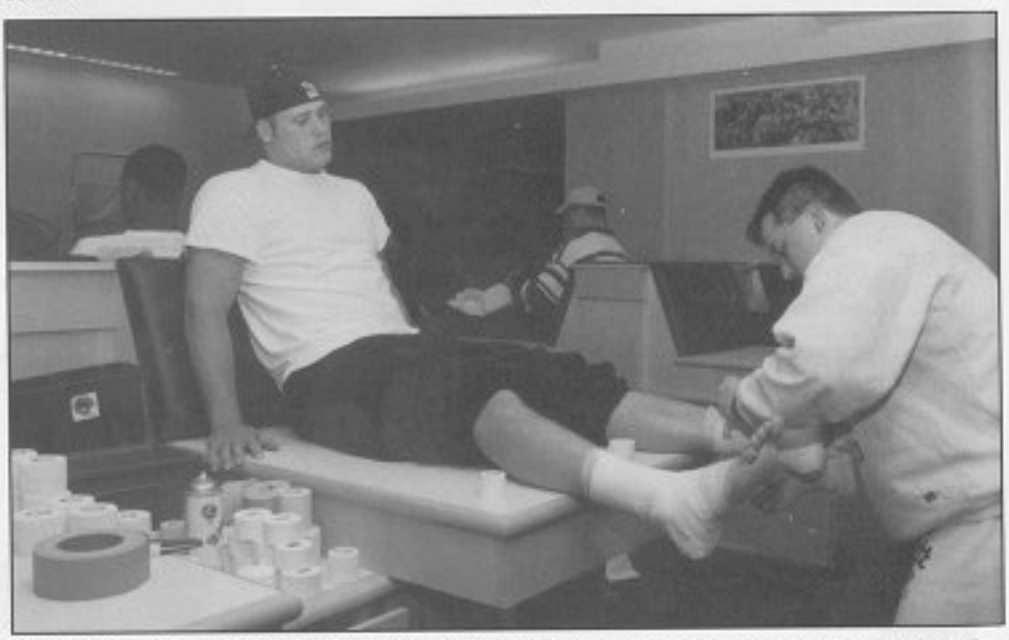
Dr. Freddie H. Fu begins his 11th year of service to the Pitt athletic program as team physician and orthopaedic surgeon.

He graduated summa cum laude from Dartmouth College in 1974, and received his B.M.S. in 1975 from Dartmouth Medical School. Fu earned his medical degree in 1977 at Pitt and completed his general surgery internship at Brown University. He then returned to Pitt to study under an orthopaedic research fellowship and completed his residency in orthopaedic surgery. During that time, Fu studied under an A.O. International Fellowship at the Hannover Trauma Center in West Germany and studied orthopaedic surgery at East Lansing, Mich.

Fu is currently the inaugural holder of the Blue Cross of Western Pennsylvania Professor; Executive Vice Chairman and Professor, Department of Orthopaedic Surgery, University of Pittsburgh; and medical director of the Center for Sports Medicine. In addition, Dr. Fu serves as an adjunct professor in the School of Health Related Professions and School of Education.

Fu is a member and has held offices in numerous academic organizations including the prestigious Herodicus Society, the American Shoulder & Elbow Surgeons, the American Academy of Sports Medicine and the American Orthopaedic Association. He is the former President of the Pennsylvania Orthopaedic Society. In addition, he recently received the National Athletic Trainers' Association Presidential Challenge Award for his significant contribution to athletic training, and was also just honored as a co-recipient of the Kappa Delta Award, the highest distinction in orthopaedic research, for his research contributions on the shoulder.

Not only is Fu prominent in many of the city's scientific and health-related societies, he is an avid supporter of numerous community athletic programs and Pittsburgh fine arts in general. He is the Chairman of the Board and Executive Medical Director of the Giant Eagle city of Pittsburgh Marathon and 10K, a member of the Board of Trustees and Team Physician for the Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre. He is past president and current CEO of the WQED Children's Festival Chorus of Pittsburgh, is a member of the Western Pennsylvania Olympic Committee and is a perennial contributor to many local high school athletic organizations.



Pittsburgh student-athletes receive medical care through the sports medicine program. The University of Pittsburgh is one of 73 universities across the country with this curriculum.

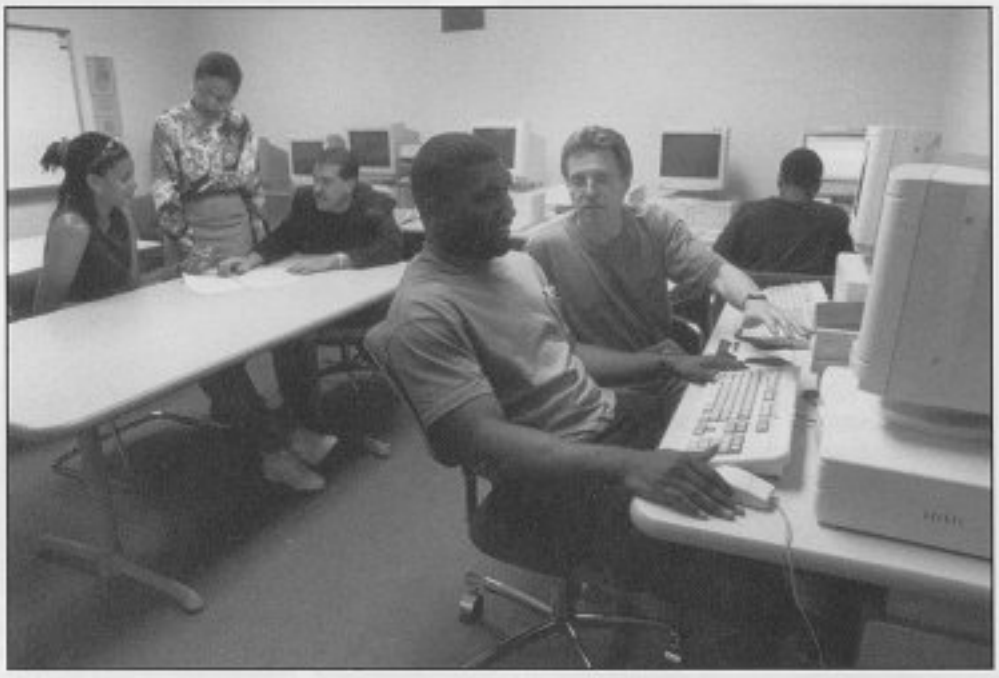
Academic Support Services

In the 1970s, when the University of Pittsburgh committed itself to regaining its position as one of America's leading collegiate athletic programs, the University also made a commitment of perhaps even greater significance: to set standards in the education of its student-athletes. From this commitment came the Support Service for Student Athletes, established in 1976.

This office had one major mission: furthering the academic goals of the men and women who make up Pitt's varsity athletic teams. In the 1990s, as Pittsburgh football once again reaches for the top, the University has rededicated itself to its original commitment to see that its athletes get a quality and meaningful education. New offices, equipment and additional personnel are evidence that Pitt is continuing its tradition of placing academics at the top of its priorities for its athletes.

Since its beginning, the Support Service for Student Athletes office has offered several important services to Pitt's athletic community. Contact between the Office and the student athlete begins early, at University orientation, where Support Service personnel administer tests and assist in class scheduling. Learning skills and study habits are strengthened throughout the freshman year through regular meetings with the office staff and organized study sessions. Tutors are provided for those who request them and assigned to those the staff feels may need additional help. Class performance and attendance are monitored throughout the term. Academic and career counseling, as well as personal counseling, are all important parts of the program. The goal of the office is to build long-term skills to enable the athlete to be an independent and successful student, skills which will be carried on long after an athletic career has ended.

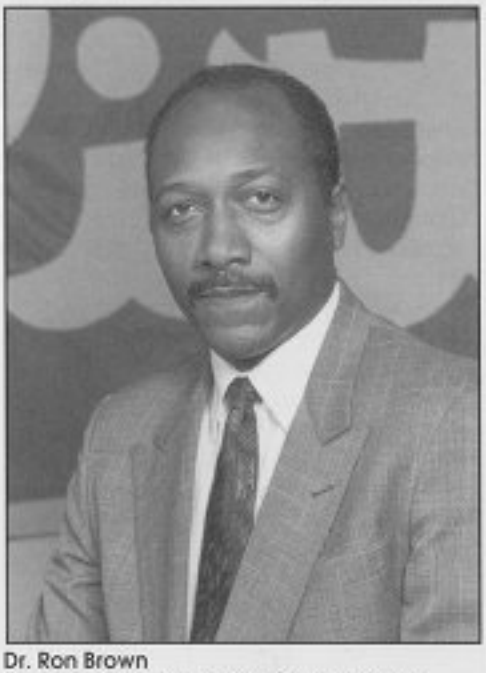
Since 1987, Support Services has been located on the fifth floor of Pitt Stadium. A second facility was added in 1995 in Fitzgerald Field House. Both facilities feature a computer/learning lab, individual meeting rooms for study and tutorials. Plans have been formalized for the completion of a new academic support facility as part of the eight-phase renovation project for the Pitt Stadium Complex.



The staff of the Support Service Office is made up of six full-time members, three graduate assistants, and numerous part-time tutors. Since early 1991, the office has been directed by Dr. Ron Brown.

Brown came to Pittsburgh from Oklahoma State, where he headed the University's academic efforts to help athletes. The staff of student services specialists who provide direct assistance to student athletes includes Michael Farabaugh, Jan McMannis and David Pistolesi.

Additionally, Pamela Allan serves as the program's administrator for information services and academic compliance, while Christi Hanlin is the administrative assistant.



Dr. Ron Brown
Director of Academic Support Services

SENATE ATHLETIC COMMITTEE

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Dr. Tony Eichelberger
Dr. Seth Spaulding
Dr. Susan Albrecht

Department of Bands

Jack Anderson
Director of Bands

Jack R. Anderson was named the 12th Director of Bands at the University of Pittsburgh in March 1996. His association with the Pittsburgh Band, however, began almost at birth. He grew up on the sidelines of Pitt Stadium following his father, Dr. Jack B. "Doc" Anderson, assistant director of the Pitt Band from 1948 to 1970. Jack began marching in the Pittsburgh Band as an undergraduate student in September, 1965. Since the early '70s he has held staff positions with the Pittsburgh Band as percussion instructor, Assistant Director and as Interim Director in 1995.

Anderson has very close ties with the Pittsburgh Band Alumni having served terms as President, Vice-President, Director of Alumni Bands and Leader of the Alumni Dance Band.

Anderson has additionally taught 24 years in Pennsylvania as Director of Bands at Greenville and Keystone Oaks School districts and currently directs the South Hills Community Concert Band. He is co-director of the Premier Summer Camps at the University of Pittsburgh and has been a guest conductor and adjuducator thoughout Western Pennsylvania.

"I am honored to be able to serve my University in this capacity, and I intend to do everything possible to maintain our rich traditions and to continue to make the University, its students and alumni, and the City of Pittsburgh proud of the Pitt Band."

Anderson and his wife, Peggy, reside in Scott Township and have two daughters, Carrie (22), a 1996 Pittsburgh graduate, and Katie (20), a junior at the University.

Pittsburgh Band Staff
(From left to right): E. Michael Baldauf, Dan Yadesky, Lou Rusiski, Linda Rittenhouse, Harry Bloomberg, Jack Anderson and Mel Orange. Absent from photo is Clayton Hartman.

Dr. Mel Orange
Assistant
Director of Bands

Mel Orange begins his 13th year as assistant band director at Pittsburgh. His duties have included music arranging, drill design, brass instruction and general administration responsibilities. He is also the current choir director and music department chairperson in the Greensburg Salem School District, where he has worked since 1979.

Orange has taught and played trumpet professionally for the past 21 years, has been an active music arranger for marching and jazz bands and has served as an adjuducator and clinician. As the music director for numerous high school musical productions, his credits include: "My Fair Lady", "Fiddler On The Roof", "Hello Dolly", "South Pacific", "Music Man", "Anything Goes" and Li'l Abner". Most recently, Orange arranged and performed the Birthday Song heard in The Italian Oven restaurants.

A graduate of Trafford High School and Duquesne University, where he received his bachelor's and master's degrees in music education, he is also a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH BAND STAFF

Director of Bands
Jack R. Anderson

Assistant Director
Mel Orange

Golden Girl Choreographer
E. Michael Baldauf

Color Guard
Linda Rittenhouse

Percussion Arranger
Dan Yadesky

Secretary
Penny Hearn

General Operations Director
Lou Rusiski

Announcer
Clayton Hartman

Photographer
Harry Bloomberg

Graduate Assistant Staff

Drill
Alex Alspach

Arranger
Tim Palmer

Operations
Scott Boguslawski

Administrative/ Librarian
Christy Slifkey

Percussion
Todd Hartman

Pittsburgh Spirit Groups

The 1997 University of Pittsburgh cheerleading and dance teams are entertaining, talented and motivating factors at Pittsburgh football games and athletic events. They are a colorful addition to the wide range of festivities surrounding a college athletic event.

The Pittsburgh cheerleaders have forged a reputation as one of the nation's best cheerleading units during the past decade. Since 1990, they have won several national competitions. In April 1994, they won the Universal Cheerleaders' Association College Cheerleading Championships at Sea World in San Diego. The Pitt cheerleaders also won two national cheerleading championships at competitions in Dallas, Texas.

In addition to their performances at Panthers athletic events, the cheerleaders are active at various Golden Panther and charitable functions in Western Pennsylvania.

The Pittsburgh cheerleaders have been coached for the past 14 years by Theresa and Michael Nuzzo, who were Pitt cheerleaders themselves. They are founders and owners of the Elite Cheerleading Organization, the largest personalized cheerleading instruction company in the United States. The organization annually instructs more than 25,000 cheerleaders in more than 40 states.

In just two seasons of existence, the Pittsburgh dance team has established a reputation as one of the top units in the country. The past two years, it has placed among the top 15 squads in national competitions.

THE PANTHER

The Panther (Felis concolor) was adopted as the University of Pittsburgh's mascot at a meeting of students and alumni in autumn 1909. According to George M. P. Baird, '09, who made the suggestion, it was chosen for the following reasons: (1) the Panther was the most formidable creature once indigenous to the Pittsburgh region; (2) it had ancient, heraldic standing as a noble animal; (3) the happy accident of alliteration; (4) the close approximation of its hue to the old gold of the University's colors (old gold and blue), hence its easy adaptability in decoration; and (5) the fact that no other college or university then employed it as a symbol.

The 1997 Pittsburgh Cheerleaders

Front row (l-r): Shannon Huggens, Celine Crouse, Lori Temperato and Danielle Oleska. **Middle row (l-r):** Wendy Kuhn, Leslie Mastroddi, Jennifer Roble, Janine Burbage and Jessica Merritt. **Back row(l-r):** Deana Campbell, Christy Casper, Kelly Stell, Tara Newman, Alia Rizk and Amber King.

The 1997 Pittsburgh Dance Team

Front row (l-r): Beth Ann DeFazio, Nicole Pencosky and Erika Rosenberger. **Middle row (l-r):** Kimberly Rigatti, Angie Bollinger and Amy Niceswanger. **Back row (l-r):** Debbie Jerome, Kristen Perman, Kim Tague and Leanne Lavia.

The BIG EAST Football Conference

When The BIG EAST Football Conference was born in 1991, Commissioner Michael Tranghese said the new group wanted to compete immediately at the highest level. Certainly, the league has enjoyed a national presence since its inception. A BIG EAST team has played for a claim of the national championship in four of its six seasons.

The BIG EAST has been a leader off the field as well, especially with television and bowl relationships. The conference has been a charter member of each of the major bowl agreements, starting with the Bowl Coalition in 1992. The Bowl Alliance (1995) and the Super Alliance, which will begin in 1998, were all started with the BIG EAST as an original partner.

Television prominence has always been a staple of The BIG EAST. For football, the league established its own regional television package in 1991 before the league played a game. The BIG EAST Television Network immediately was the largest regional college football network in the country.

In 1996, The BIG EAST began new deals with CBS and ESPN. CBS will telecast up to 12 games per year. ESPN and ESPN2 will also carry at least 12 games each season. Both agreements, which run through 2000, will mean that CBS and ESPN will telecast a BIG EAST game virtually every week of the season.

The BIG EAST has always assured itself of prestigious bowl invitations. The league champion will attend the Tostitos Fiesta, FedEx Orange or Nokia Sugar Bowl as part of its membership in the Bowl Alliance. An agreement with the Toyota Gator Bowl will allow that bowl to choose a second BIG EAST team. For the fifth straight year, the Carquest Bowl will select a third BIG EAST team. The Memphis-based St. Jude Liberty Bowl will then choose a fourth BIG EAST squad for the second straight season.

BIG EAST teams have enjoyed plenty of success in recent years. Miami won national titles in '83, '87, '89 and '91. The Hurricanes played on New Year's Day every year from 1984 to 1995. Syracuse has been to the postseason in eight of the last 10 years, winning all eight contests. Virginia Tech is on a four-year bowl streak for the first time in school history, having been the league's Bowl Alliance representative each of the last two campaigns. Boston College has gone "bowling" three of the past five years. West Virginia has gone to bowl games in three of the past four seasons.

Some of the same elements that were in place when The BIG EAST Conference was born in 1979 are present in BIG EAST football. The football members are a group of schools that, for the most part, were traditional rivals, but were never a formal league. The BIG EAST Football Conference alignment includes four schools that have been full members of The BIG EAST Conference. They are: Boston College, University of Miami, University of Pittsburgh and Syracuse University. Rutgers University and West Virginia University became full members of the BIG EAST July 1, 1995. Temple University and Virginia Tech join these six institutions to form the current eight-team BIG EAST Football Conference.

BIG EAST Football on Television

College football viewers will have plenty of chances to catch BIG EAST football in 1997. By virtue of its agreements with CBS Sports, ESPN and ESPN Regional Television (formerly Creative Sports), the league again will enjoy extensive television exposure. What it means for the college football fan is that CBS and ESPN will carry a BIG EAST game nearly every week of the season.

ESPN Regional Television's BIG EAST Game of the Week package remains as the largest regional college football network in the nation, reaching close to one-third of the nation's homes throughout BIG EAST markets and beyond. ESPN Regional Television is the largest syndicator of college sports programming in the U.S.

BIG EAST teams will also be seen on ABC and NBC through packages with other conferences and Notre Dame.

At press time, the following was the station lineup for the BIG EAST Game of the Week:

New York: WABC (ABC), MSG Network; **Chicago:** SportsChannel; **Philadelphia:** WPVI (ABC), Comcast; **Boston:** WCVB (ABC); **Washington, D.C.:** WJLA (ABC); **Cleveland:** SportsChannel; **Tampa/St. Petersburg:** WFTS (ABC); **Miami:** WPLG (ABC); **Pittsburgh:** WTAE (ABC); **Orlando:** WRBW (UPN); **Baltimore:** WMAR (ABC); **Hartford/New Haven:** WTNH (ABC), WBNE (WB); **Buffalo:** WNGS (Ind.); **Norfolk:** WTKR (CBS), WPEN (WB); **Harrisburg:** WHP (CBS); **West Palm Beach:** WPTV (NBC), WINQ (Ind.); **Providence:** WLWC (WB); **Greensboro:** WXLV (ABC); **Albany:** WVBN (Ind.); **Richmond:** WRIC (ABC); **Jacksonville:** WTLV (NBC); **Charleston:** WCHS (ABC); **Roanoke:** WSLS (NBC), WDRG (UPN); **Syracuse:** WNYS (UPN); **Rochester:** WROC (CBS); **Portland:** WPXT (Fox), WWLA (UPN); **Fort Myers:** WINK (CBS); **Johnstown:** WATM (ABC), WWCP (Fox); **Burlington:** WWBI (Ind.); **Tri-Cities:** WKPT (ABC), WAPK (UPN); **Springfield:** WGGB (ABC); **Wheeling:** WTRF (CBS); **Erie:** WFXP (Fox); **Bluefield:** WOAY (ABC); **Clarksburg:** WBOY (NBC); **Utica:** WPNY (UPN); **Watertown:** WWNY (CBS); **Parkersburg:** WBOY (NBC); Harrisonburg: WRIC (ABC).

At press time, the following ESPN Regional/BIG EAST Game-of-the-Week telecasts were known:

Sept. 6: B. College at Temple ... Noon
Sept. 20: B. College at Rutgers Noon
Oct. 4: Rutgers at West Virginia and/or Pittsburgh at Temple ..... Noon
Oct. 11: B. College at Va. Tech Noon
Oct. 18: Temple at Syracuse .... Noon
Oct. 25: Pittsburgh at Rutgers and/or Temple at Miami ..... Noon
Nov. 1: To be Determined ..... Noon
Nov. 8: To be Determined ..... Noon
Nov. 15: Rutgers at Miami and/or Temple at West Virginia ..... Noon

(Note: Times are Eastern and subject to change.)

The BIG EAST Football Conference

Michael A.Tranghese
Commissioner

Whether it has been playing a leadership role in membership realignment issues, participating on various national committees or negotiating wide-ranging television contracts, Mike Tranghese has spent the past 18 years serving The BIG EAST Conference.

Tranghese was the league's first full-time employee when the conference opened its doors in 1979. Since he moved into the Commissioner's chair June 21, 1990, Tranghese has been faced with a series of situations that have required prudent decisions and leadership. The BIG EAST has emerged stronger each time.

The first half of this decade was a period of unprecedented membership realignment amongst the nation's major conferences. One of Tranghese's early accomplishments as Commissioner was the formation of The BIG EAST Football Conference. In response to the dawn of conference realignment, he coordinated an expansion which included the University of Miami becoming a full-league member and being a key addition to the unique football group.

In 1994, Tranghese guided the league through what many thought to be a critical stage that could have resulted in a permanent split among its members. In March, the conference added Rutgers University and West Virginia University as its 11th and 12th members and maintained its structure.

Just four months later, Tranghese and The BIG EAST added the University of Notre Dame, clearly the nation's premier men's basketball independent. All three new members began BIG EAST competition in the 1995-96 academic year.

A nationally respected leader in collegiate athletics, Tranghese is in the second year of a four-year term on the NCAA Men's Basketball Committee. He is serving a two-year term as Chair of the Division I-A Commissioners and is the chair of the Collegiate Commissioners Association.

The league's athletic directors unanimously appointed Tranghese in 1990 after his 11 years of service, the last nine as associate commissioner. As Commissioner, he has led The BIG EAST while adhering to the principles which have marked the conference's explosive rise to prominence: a cohesive structure, a "dare to be different" administrative approach, a staunch commitment to excellence and a continuing emphasis on academic integrity.

Tranghese's career has flourished over the last two decades, coinciding with the focus upon Eastern college basketball and the tremendous growth of sports events on television. His career began at American International College in his hometown of Springfield, Mass.

He was the sports information director at Providence College where he publicized the immensely successful Friar teams of the seventies under Dave Gavitt who would become the BIG EAST's first Commissioner in 1979.

Under Tranghese, the BIG EAST championship slate expanded from seven men's championships in 1979 to 19 men's and women's events in 1993.

Today, Tranghese is foremost among his peers in the area of television, including negotiation and technical production.

The BIG EAST has been a long-time partner with CBS Sports and ESPN and has multi-year agreements with both entities in basketball and football.

Additionally, Tranghese was the force behind the BIG EAST Television Network which, for 10 years, was a benchmark for regional network television. In 1995, the league awarded ESPN Inc. exclusive rights to all of its basketball and football games not on a national broadcast network.

His negotiating expertise also has resulted in a long-term partnership with Madison Square Garden, host of The BIG EAST Basketball Championship since 1983.

Tranghese, 53, is a 1965 graduate of St. Michael's College in Winooski, Vt. He is married to Susan Huntemann.

THE BIG EAST CONFERENCE DIRECTORY

Commissioner	Michael Tranghese
Senior Associate Commissioner	Thomas McElroy
Associate Commissioner	Tom Odjakjian
Associate Commissioner for Championships	Donna DeMarco
Associate Commissioner for Public Relations	John Paquette
Associate Commissioner for Compliance	Stan Wilcox
Assistant Commissioner/Finance	Susan Shevlin
Assistant Director of Championships	Dan Egan
Assistant Director of Public Relations	Tammy Garr
Assistant Director of Public Relations	Rob Carolla
Assistant Director for Compliance	Kathleen Hickey
Coordinator of Men's Basketball Officiating	Art Hyland
Coordinator of Women's Basketball Officiating	Barbara Jacobs
Assistant to the Commissioner	Lisa Zanecchia
Administrative Assistant for Administration & Championships	LoisDeBlois
Administrative Assistant for Basketball & Football	Gwen Lostocco
Administrative Assistant for Compliance	Heidi Mattos
Receptionist	Kathy Stone
Media Relations Assistant	Heidi Roth
Media Relations Assistant	Craig Sender

The Varsity Walk

The Panther and Blue-Gold Awards

On the University of Pittsburgh campus, between the Cathedral of Learning and Heinz Chapel, is a sidewalk known as the Varsity Walk. There, embedded in the stones, are the names of former Pitt athletes who have promoted the University through their athletic or academic achievements.

The Varsity Walk was conceived in 1950 as a way to honor athletes, and new members are added each year. The distinctive hand-carved stones were first presented as the Athletic Committee Award and the Charles C. Hartwig Award. The Athletic Committee recognized the best athlete from any sport. The Charles Hartwig Award was given to the senior athlete who promoted and sponsored the best interests of Pitt athletics, in honor of the 1934 All-America tight end. In 1971 the awards were changed to the Panther and Blue-Gold awards, respectively.

The Panther Award is presented to the graduating senior athlete who has promoted Pitt athletics through his/her outstanding athletic achievement. The Blue-Gold Award is given to the seniors who represents the student-athlete ideal based on academic scholarship, athletic achievement, leadership qualities and citizenship.

The awards were expanded to include females in 1975.

Year	Athletic Committee Award	Charles C. Hartwig Award
1949-50	Louis Cecconi (FB, BK)	
1950-51	George Radosevich (BK, TR)	Samuel Shapiro (BS)
1951-52	Robert T. Brennen (FB)	Jack H. Hardman (TN, SW)
1952-53	Donald Virostek (BK)	Michael Zernich (BK)
1953-54	Richard E. Deitrick (FB, BK, BS)	R. Hugh Peery (WR)
1954-55	Milton G. Emery (BS)	Roy Kaupe (SW)
1955-56	William C. Schmitt (FB, BS)	Arnold Sowell (TR, XC)
1956-57	Joseph Walton (FB, BS)	Edwin Peery (WR) & Robert Rosborough (FB)
1957-58	Jerome Bressanelli (SC)	Julius Pegues (BK)
1958-59	William Kaliden (FB)	Donald L. Hennon (BK)
1959-60	Richard Chadwick (TR)	Wilbert Wm. Lindner (FB)
1960-61	Calvin Smith (SC)	Michael K. Ditka (FB, BS)
1961-62	Richard W. Clark (TR)	Anthony J. Sarsfield (SW)
1962-63	John J. Cioffi (BS)	James C. Harrison (WR)
1963-64	Al A. Grigaliunas (FB)	Joseph N. Friend (TR)
1964-65	Peter J. Billey (FB)	William W. Bode (FB, WR, BS)
1965-66	Kenneth G. Lucas (FB)	Ferdinand S. Sauer (SC, BS)
1966-67	Richard D. Hulme (SW)	James M. Flanigan (FB, TR)
1967-68	Robert Bazylak (FB)	Terrance Hoover (FB, WR)
1968-69	Harry Orszulak (FB)	Edward Whittaker (FB)
1969-70	W. Jeff Barr (FB, BS)	George Medich (FB, BS)

-- Names were changed to the Blue-Gold & Panther Award in 1971 --

Pictured with Pittsburgh Athletic Director Steve Pederson (fourth from left in back) are winners of the 1996-97 Blue-Gold and Panther Awards: (from left to right) Stephanie Dufresne, volleyball (Blue-Gold Award), John Soulakis, men's diving (Panther Award), Bryan Matusic, wrestling, (Blue-Gold Award), Angie Martin, women's track and field (Panther Award) and Nate Cochran, football (Panther Award). The winners of the awards, which are the highest athletic awards presented by the Athletic Department, have their names etched in stone and lie along the walkway between Heinz Chapel and the Cathedral of Learning, known as the "Varsity Walk."

The Varsity Walk

Year	Blue-Gold Award	Panther Award
1970-71	William Downes (BK)	P. Jerry Richey (XC, TR)
1971-72	Kent Scott (BK)	Ralph Cindrich (FB, WR)
1972-73	Craig Tritch (WR)	Joseph Luxbacher (SC)
1973-74	David Blandino (FB)	William Knight (BK)
1974-75	Peter Martorelli (BS)	Kirk Bruce (BK) & Bruce Murphy (FB)
	Mary E. Klobchar (BK)	Mary E. Heretick (WS)
1975-76	Thomas Richards (BK)	Karl Farmer (FB, TR)
	Sheila A. Barber (WG)	Fran Baskin (TN)
1976-77	Gerard De Muro (SW)	Anthony Dorsett (FB)
	Katherine Hudgens (WV)	Diane Baumgartner (WG)
1977-78	Rande Stottlemyer (WR)	Matthew Cavanaugh (FB)
	Patricia Montgomery (WV&B)	Michelle Bressant (WT)
1978-79	Jeff Delaney (FB)	Jeff Delaney (FB)
	Marie Ribik (WT)	Kathy Stetler (WS)
1979-80	Thomas Libenguth (TN)	Jeff Pelusi (FB)
	Alison Hoburg (WG)	Cindy Chambers (WV)
1980-81	Stuart Swanson (SW)	Hugh Green (FB)
	Myra Bachuchin (WG)	Suzanne Pulley (WS)
1981-82	Al Adelmann (SC)	Sal Sunseri (FB)
	Amy Jackson (WS)	Carol Dugan (WB)
1982-83	J.C. Pelusi (FB)	Rob Fada (FB)
	Jan Ujevich (WS)	Diane Zack (WV)
1983-84	Clyde Vaughan (BK)	Tom Flynn (FB)
	Lisa Shirk (WG)	Karen Martin (WG)
1984-85	Ed Miller (GY)	Bill Fralic (FB)
	Pat Belcher (WV)	Jennifer Bruce (WB) & Sue Heon (WS)
1985-86	Robert Schilken (FB)	Kristy Pieters (WG)
		Kyle Nellis (WR) &
	Judy Young (WV)	Mark Klafter (GY)
1986-87	Tom Shaulinski (SW)	John Congemi (FB) & Curtis Aiken (BK)
	Alisa Spector (WG)	Sue Hickman (WS)
1987-88	Chris Blair (SW)	Charles Smith (BK) & Lee McRae (TR)
	Noreen Coughlin (WV)	Lisa Stewart (WV) & Tricia Ney (WS)
1988-89	Mark Stepnoski (FB) & Dave Tanczos (FB)	Pat Santoro (WR)
	Bonnie Kartzman (TN)	Denise Frawley (WV)
1989-90	Alan Utter (WR)	Mike Kozlina (SW)
	Jennifer Shingler (WB)	Lorri Johnson (WB)
1990-91	Eric Holzworth (FB)	Keisha Demas (WT)
	Louis Riddick (FB)	Darelle Porter (BK)
	Clarissa Dudley (WT) & Jenelle Lantagne (WV)	Brian Shorter (BK)
1991-92	Kyle MacBeth (GY)	Sean Miller (BK)
	Perry Miller (WR)	Laura-Lee Sullivan (WS) & Dee MacAulay (WV)
1992-93	Don Boyd (SW)	Alex Van Pelt (FB)
	Mary Allison Williams (WT)	Ronise Crumpler (WT)
1993-94	Doug Whaley (FB)	Genaro Severino (GY)
	Jennifer Burns (WS)	Ann Marie Lucanie (WV) & Jonna Huemrich (WB)
1994-95	Matt Brady (SW)	Ruben Brown (FB)
	Staci Suggs (WT)	Carol Morton(WB)
1995-96	Chris Perry (SW)	J.J. Fasnacht (WR)
		Tom Tumulty (FB)
	Jill Fletcher (SW)	Najuma Fletcher (WT)
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1996-97	Stephanie Dufresne (WV)	Angie Martin (WT)
	Bryan Matusic (WR)	Nate Cochran (FB)
		John Soulakis (SW)

Former Pitt football great and Heisman Trophy winner Tony Dorsett was the 1976-77 recipient of the male Panther Award, and he, along with all Blue-Gold and Panther Award winners, have their names etched on the stone walkway between the Cathedral of Learning and Heinz Chapel, called the Varsity Walk.

Sports Abbreviation Code

FB = Football
WB = Women's Basketball
SW = Men's Swimming/Diving
TR = Men's Track
GY = Men's Gymnastics
SC = Soccer
XC = Cross Country
WV = Women's Volleyball
BK = Men's Basketball
BS = Baseball
WS = Women's Swimming/Diving
WT = Women's Track
WG = Women's Gymnastics
WR = Wrestling
TN = Tennis

Team PITT

One of the University of Pittsburgh's newest programs is Team PITT, the Pittsburgh Athletic Department's community service and outreach program for its student-athletes.

Giving something back to the community is nothing new for Pittsburgh student-athletes. Members of the Panthers' varsity sports programs have been performing community service for years. Team PITT, however, merged all of the University's student-athletes' social service activities into one overarching program.

The official launching of Team PITT was announced in conjunction with the NCAA's Ninth Annual National Student-Athlete Day April 6, 1996.

Team PITT comprises student-athletes from all of Pittsburgh's varsity sports teams. Its mission is to promote leadership, service, teamwork and education.

Among the groups' regular activities are visiting nearby Children's Hospital and speaking at area schools.

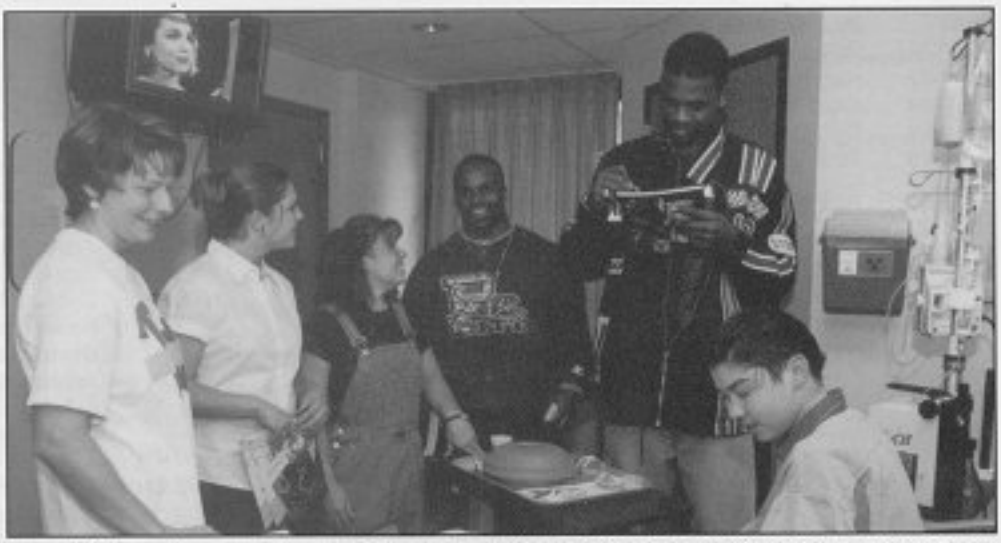
Team PITT members interact with their young hosts in a number of ways.

They participate in various recreational activities, read stories or tell their own personal tales of the value of hard work and dedication. The experience equates into a mutually beneficial situation for not only the children but also Pittsburgh's student-athletes.

Team PITT members are also highly active in charitable fundrasing.

Over the past two years, members of Team PITT have raised nearly $1,400 for Children's Hospital.

This past year, the Pittsburgh swimming and diving teams held a semi-formal dance for all of the University's student-athletes and raised nearly $700 for a new bumper pool table for the hospital's Teen Lounge.



Team PITT members are frequent visitors to nearby Children's Hospital. Pictured above, Team PITT's (from left to right) Amy Spinnenweber (diving), Sara Claire Campesino (gymnastics), Tracy Brown (gymnastics), Billy West (football) and Gerald Jordan (basketball) sign autographs and socialize with a young patient.

Team PITT's goals of leadership, service, teamwork and education are met in various ways.

Members of Team PITT develop and exercise leadership through community service projects. A strong emphasis is placed on teamwork, as student-athletes from a variety of teams work together to accomplish the organization's mission.

As Team PITT members participate in community service activities, they share experiences overcoming obstacles in pursuit of academic, personal and athletic goals. This promotes the importance of education to the young people to whom Team PITT members speak. At the same time, Team PITT members are learning from the students, teachers and patients with whom they interact.

Pittsburgh 1997 graduates Jared Miller (football) and Lori Buck (gymnastics) enjoy a game of bumper pool with a youngster during one of Team PITT's past visits to Children's Hospital.

Mike Speerschneider (left) and John Soulakis (right), members of Pittsburgh's swimming and diving team, present a check for $669 to Dana Wassel (middle) of Children's Hospital. The team earned the money by holding a semi-formal dance to which all Pittsburgh student-athlets were invited.

"I am extremely proud of the community service our student-athletes perform for the Pittsburgh community," said Pittsburgh Athletic Director Steve Pederson. "Our student-athletes give a great deal of the little free time they have to help individuals, especially youth in the Pittsburgh area, who have not been as fortunate in life. It is very rewarding and quite remarkable to see this interaction."

Team PITT is coordinated by Donna DeMarino Sanft, associate athletic director for student life and compliance.

PITT PANTHERS

1997 SCHEDULE

August 30 SOUTHWESTERN LA., 3:30 p.m.
September 6 at Penn State, 3:30 p.m. (ABC)
September 13 at Houston, 3 p.m. (EDT, Fox Sports)
September 18 MIAMI, 8 p.m.
(Thursday Night/ESPN)
October 4 at Temple, Noon (Big East TV)
October 11 NOTRE DAME, 3:30 p.m.
October 25 at Rutgers, Noon (Big East TV)
November 1 at Boston College, 3:30 p.m.
November 15 SYRACUSE, 3:30 p.m.
November 22 VIRGINIA TECH, 3:30 p.m.
November 28 (Friday) at West Virginia,
2:30 p.m. (CBS)

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